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Over 100 G. V. Trucks were sold during January and 1913 looms big for G. V. orders.

Among the new customers are a Kansas City bakery, a brass foundry in Boston, a lock plant in Connecticut, a textile mill in North Adams, a storage warehouse in Brooklyn, New York, several brewers, department stores in Washington and Springfield, Mass., and a flour mill in Victoria, B. C.



Reorders came in from Eastman Kodak Co., National Cash Register Co., Thompson's Restaurant, Chicago, American Express Co., and many others.

We have three customers who have already purchased over 100 G. V. Electric Trucks each. We have ten "horseless" customers.

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No. 3. Body being dumped by power from engine controlled and operated by same mechanism that demounts body. Total time to dump, one minute.

Making One Truck Do the Work of Two

Locomobile

5-Ton Truck with New Loading and Unloading Device Solves the Problem of the Short Haul

The New Power-Operated Demountable-Dumping Body, by making the working time of the truck chassis practically continuous, makes the short haul operation of heavy-duty trucks as economical as long

Duplicate bodies save the valuable time usually wasted by the truck in waiting to be loaded and unloaded.

With the Power-Operated, Demountable-Dumping body, a chassis deposits an empty and picks up a loaded body in less than 3 minutes.

Many different materials may be handled by the same truck chassis with different bodies-one for coal, another for bricks, cement, barrels or furniture.

A capacity load each trip may be carried in the body best suited to the material.

In continuity of operation and adaptability to diversified work, the Locombile Five-Ton Truck chassis, with Power-Operated Demountable bodies, whether dumping or rigid, marks the beginning of a new era in motor truck economy.

No other truck but the Locomobile has this Power-Operated, Demountable-Dumping Body.

Send to any of our branches for literature, detailed information and estimates

If interested send for: 1. Our plans for making a five-ton truck pay on a short haul. 2. Photographs showing Locomobile five-ton trucks in use. 3. Illustrated folders describing over thirty bodies for our truck. 4. Descriptive circular of the Locomobile five-ton truck chassis. 5. Benefits to be had from using the Locomobile five-ton truck. 6. A competitive motor truck test and its results.

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USED IN EVERY LINE OF BUSINESS



TYPE OF AUTOCAR OWNED BY BROWN'S AUTO DELIVERY COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA AND ARDMORE, PA.

One Autocar Establishes Paying Business

- Starting at the bottom, and climbing up to a high place of business success, is the experience of the Brown Auto Delivery Company.
- ¶ Mr. Brown started in business three years ago, with an Autocar, delivering packages to towns and suburbs of Philadelphia, along the Main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad. His entire living depended upon what he made out of this car. Fourteen months after putting this car into service, he realized his original investment in the car, and established an excellent paying business. Recently Mr. Brown placed an order for another car to take care of his increased business.
 - What Autocars have done to advance the business of large corganations can be accomplished by the man who is making a start in any new enterprise. The Autocar is the stepping stone to bigger business for all.

The Autocar Company - Ardmore, Pa. ESTABLISHED 1897

WRITE FOR LIST OF USERS

MOTOR DELIVERY CAR SPECIALISTS

USED IN EVERY LINE OF BUSINESS



TYPE OF AUTOCAR OWNED BY GARRETT BUCHANAN COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Delivery Efficiency Increased 50 Per Cent

- ¶ Garrett Buchanan Company, of Philadelphia, have used an Autocar for two years, and declare it has increased their delivery efficiency 50 per cent. Paper and twine are now delivered to printers and other customers of Garrett Buchanan, in outlying districts, with much less delay than when they formerly used horses, and the service of Express Companies.
- "We are in every way satisfied with our Autocar," said a member of the firm recently, "It has never failed us yet."
 - Autocars open up new fields for every industrial concern by solving its delivery problem. One Autocar averages six times more mileage than the horse-drawn vehicle. It is always ready for daily service, summer and winter, and knows no fatigue.

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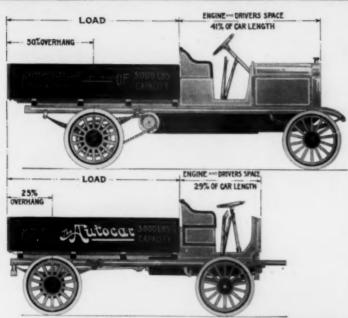
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MOTOR DELIVERY

USED IN EVERY LINE OF BUSINESS



#Autocar

Comparative Diagram

Illustrating load distribution and economy of traffic, loading and garage space occupied by the Autocar in comparison with cars of other makes having similar body capacity. The Autocar has the additional advantage of a much shorter turning radius than other cars having same capacity. The Autocar has practically no body overhang. This means a uniform distribution of load between the front and rear axles, and minimizes tire deterioration. The Autocar represents balance and judicious load arrangement.

THE PRACTICAL, ECONOMICAL, AND BUSINESS-PRODUCING MOTOR DELIVERY CAR BUILT FROM THE GROUND UP FOR RUGGED, DAILY COMMERCIAL SERVICE



THE AUTOCAR MODEL XXI.

Illustration shows the raised seat structure, a device patented by the Autorar Company, which is the exclusive feature used on every Autocar, and gives complete access to the motor and its parts; in either raised or lowered position it is locked in place.

The Autocar Company—Ardmore, Pa.

WRITE FOR NEW AUTOCAR BOOK-" INDISPENSABLE AS THE TELEPHONE." CATALOG WILL BE INCLUDED.

MOTOR DELIVERY CAR SPECIALISTS

EVERY LINE OF BUSINES





LIT BROTHERS, OF PHILADELPHIA, OWN 18 AUTOCARS

JOHN V. FARWELL COMPANY, OF CHICAGO, OWN 9 AUTOCARS

Leaders in their line find The Autocar indispensable

Lit Brothers Philadelphia, Pa.

Lit Brothers bought their first Autocar delivery car in May, 1911. It is still giving perfect satisfaction averaging 75 miles daily on a long suburban delivery route. This car, Lit Brothers say, does the work of six to eight horses, and has not been laid off for a single day on account of repairs.

In June. 1912, Lit Brothers purchased six more Autocars, and recently gave us two repeat orders for eleven cars. This makes a total of eighteen Autocars in their delivery service.

John V. Farwell Company Chicago, Ill.

Fifteen different motor delivery achedules in and about Chicago are performed every day by nine Autocar trucks owned by John V. Farwell Company.

They make regular daily deliveries to outlying districts, which the company never reached with horses. John V. Farwell Company uses Autocars exclusively, and in speaking of their performance, they state. "We feel that the service rendered by these commercial vehicles is primarily responsible for the large and steady increase in our city sales."

Mitchell Fletcher & Company, Inc. Philadelphia, Pa.

"We now reach, by means of our Autocars, points in the suburbs that could not possibly be reached before except through extensive relays of horses. One Autocar replaces six horses, and this is a conservative calculation. Many days in rush season, one Autocar does the work of more than six horses. The Autocar averages 60 miles per day, and we cannot speak too highly of the work the Autocar has done. We are entirely satisfied, and the Autocar is so necessary in our delivery system that we are now covering all of the suburban routes with Autocars."

Sell and Deliver

The constant turning over of merchandise is the American method. It is, therefore, important that you do not make the mistake of experimenting with your delivery service. Buy a "known quantity" to handle your deliveries. The Autocar has proved its value in the economical and dependable service it renders to merchants in "every line of business." Write for new book, "As Indispensable as the Telephone" and Catalog No. 5 C.

The Autocar Company - Ardmore, Pa.

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NEW YORK STATE LEADS IN IMPOSING HEAVY MOTOR CAR TAXES

The Motor Truck Club, of New York, has sent a letter to every motor truck owner in the state urging them to make a protest against the new automobile laws which are now before the New York State legislature, the principal one of which has the endorsement of the Governor. This bill increases the license fee for commercial cars from \$5.00 per vehicle to \$5.00 per ton, carrying capacity up to 6 tons, and \$10.00 per ton above 6 tons. The hearing will be held before the committee in charge of the bills on March 15th, at Albany. The laws objected to are those which are included in the following synopsis, together with the club's comment on each:

Bill No. 548—Int. 509, requiring every chauffeur to furnish the Secretary of State a \$500 surety company bond. Bills are now pending requiring all operators to be licensed and the effect of this bill will be that all owners will be required to furnish a surety company bond.

Bill No. 842—Int, 770. This bill holds the owner of a vehicle liable for damages to persons or property and no defense to any action brought, shall be that the vehicle was being operated by an unauthorized person. This is a very damagerous bill and means that if your car is stolen and the operator in trying to get away kills a pedestrian or does any damage, you are liable on account of the car being licensed in your name.

Bill No. 429—Int. 408, requiring every operator of a motor car to furnish a bond of \$2,000. This bill requires no comment; the rank injustice of it is plainly shown by the bill itself.

Bill No. 896. This bill requires every motor vehicle in a city of the first-class with 1,000,000 inhabitants to come to a full stop in front of all fire houses, all street, surface and steam railroad crossings, and between 8 and 9 in the morning, 12 and 1 in the afternoon and 3 and 4 in the afternoon at all school houses. Under this bill it would be impossible for anyone to operate a motor vehicle freely. It would have to come to a full stop at every block and in the middle of the block where there is a fire or school house.

Bill No. 567. This makes the violation of a speed regulation of the statute a felony. Under this, if a man is convicted of a violation of the speed regulation he would lose his citizenship and would be in the class with those convicted of grand larceny, arson, murder and robbery. The bill would open an unlimited field for blackmail and extortion.

Bill No. 225. This bill increases the age under which a chauffeur can secure license from 18 to 21. It reduces the registration fee from \$2 to \$1. It makes the owner liable for some of the fines which would be imposed on chauffeurs under the act.

It is not fair to make the owner of the vehicle liable for the fines of his employee whether the chauffeur's violations are within or without the scope of his employment.

Bill No. 649. This bill requires that all chauffeurs be "mugged" and their photographs and finger prints taken and compared with police records before license is granted. It assumes all chauffeurs are criminals before they get their license, and every chauffeur would have to have his photograph in the rogues' gallery.

A bill giving the Secretary of State the power to revoke or suspend licenses with or without a hearing. This bill is an arbitrary one and places too much power in the hands of one man without any recourse.

A bill introduced requiring that all tail lights shall be so fixed that they cannot be operated from the interior of the machine.

Bill No. 637.—Int. 595, introduced, providing for an entire new automobile act, which includes licensing motorcycles with automobiles, changing the penalties for violations, etc. This bill is a blanket bill and covers every phase of the present law. It should be defeated. The present law is all right if properly enforced.

Report of the special committee of inquiry appointed by Gov. Sulzer. They suggest the doubling of taxation of pleasure cars and the increase on commercial vehicles from a flat rate of \$5 to a rate of \$5 a ton or fraction thereof. This bill, known as the "McClellan bill" is one of the most unjust bills that has ever been brought before the Legislature. The automobile tax is an unjust one, and to double it means that every citizen owning a machine will have to pay this additional tax to the State of New York. The only tax that is legal is the cost of registration, which should be less than \$2.

N. A. A. M. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

At the regular monthly meeting of the executive committee of the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers, Inc., held recently there were present W. E. Metzger, A. L. Pope, W. C. Leland, Alfred Reeves, S. T. Davis, Jr., W. T. White, R. D. Chapin, H. H. Rice, Charles Clifton, L. H. Kittredge, G. W. Bennett, Alvin Macaulay, S. A. Miles, General Manager.

A report was made by the Committee on Consolidation with the Automobile Board of Trade, indicating that plans had so far progressed that the plan is likely to be consummated in the near future.

Charles Thaddeus Terry, the association's counsel, appeared and reported the threatened adverse legislation in New York and Massachusetts, and will, in conjunction with the legislative committee take such action as may seem necessary to protect the legitimate interests of the industry.

The show situation was discussed in detail. The committee confirmed its own action taken at the February meeting in determining to conduct a show of passenger vehicles in 1914, but placed itself on record as opposing the continuance of commercial vehicle shows. The subject will be further investigated before definite action is taken.

The Electric Vehicle Association applied for and was granted an addition to the space occupied this year at the Chicago show.

The Committee on Good Roads announced its final approval of the ocean to ocean highway plan and will, in due course, prepare a report thereon to be made to members.

The Conference Committee reported conferences with representatives of the companies which produce gasoline, particularly with reference to the advance in prices and the possibility of adopting fuels of lower grade. The Society of Automobile Engineers will be requested to appoint three of its members to co-operate with the engineers of the oil producers in the investigation of fuels and carburetors.

The trade having failed to respond in sufficient force to the proposal for the erection of a special building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition it was decided to abandon the plan and accept the sixty thousand feet offered by the exposition authorities in the Transportation Building.

A joint meeting of the Consolidation Committees of the National Association and the Automobile Board of Trade will be held prior to the next meeting of the executive committee, which is scheduled for the first Wednesday in April.

WASHINGTON POST MOTOR TRUCK RELIABILITY RUN

The Washington Post Motor Truck Reliability Run, which is to take place May 5, 6, 7 and 8, will be run under the rules of the contest board of the American Automobile Association, approved by the Manufacturers' Contest Association. Sherman Allen, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury Department, on receipt of an invitation from The Post to participate in the run, stated that the government will send representatives on the tour.

The route will cover a distance a little over 300 miles, and will be arranged to give diversity to the test and will be thoroughly practicable. The classification will run from the heaviest trucks, thereby embodying the entire field. The results will give the cost of transportation per ton, per mile, as well as the road qualities.

LARGE PROGRAMME FOR VISITING BRITISH ENGINEERS

The British Automobile Engineers, who will visit the United States as guests of the Society of Automobile Engineers, will leave London on May 17th, arriving in New York on May 26th, stopping at the Hotel McAlpin. On the 28th the party will visit Pittsburgh, and Decoration Day, May 30th, and May 31st will be spent at Indianapolis where the Speedway contests will be witnessed, and the Indianapolis automobile factories visited. The party will then proceed to Detroit and for three or four days preceding the annual meeting of the S. A. E. on June 3rd will visit the principal factories in Detroit. After returning from the lake trip with the S. A. E., the party will take another steamer ride to Cleveland, going through the automobile plants there. After this, Buffalo, Providence, Hartford, New Haven and Bridgeport will be visited.

STANDARD OIL OFFERS A NEW FUEL

The Standard Oil Company has announced that it will soon have ready for delivery, a new fuel, called "Motor Spirit." This is a product of petroleum, and doubles the amount of available gas engine fuel to be obtained from a given amount of crude oil. It will be sold for 3c a gallon less than gasoline, and it is claimed to give 25% more mileage to the gallon than gasoline. It is about five degrees heavier; has a yellow color, and has a somewhat strong odor. The new fuel has disadvantages in that it causes considerable smoke, and a slight carbonization of the cylinders. It is stated that less lubricating oil is necessary with this fuel.

CHICAGO MOTOR CLUB TO HOLD TRUCK CONTEST

One of the first commercial car events of the season will be the truck contest of the Chicago Motor Club, April 14th, 15th and 16th. This is the annual truck contest under the direction of Chairman Foraker of the truck committee. It is announced that a number of makers have already arranged to make entries.

ONE-TON TRUCKS AT LESS THAN \$1000 EACH

Stewart Iron Works Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio., Enter Truck Field

Interest has been aroused in the trade by the fact that the well known Stewart Iron Works Company, said to be a \$5,-000,000 corporation, is now building and placing on the market in large quantities a one ton truck, guaranteed for 50 per cent. overload, and selling for less than \$1000 with express body. This is the lowest priced one ton truck yet offered, and even at this low figure is guaranteed for one year against defects in workmanship and material.

THE MOHAWK RUBBER COMPANY BUYS THE STEIN DOUBLE CUSHION TIRE COMPANY'S PLANT

The Mohawk Rubber Company has been organized at Akron, O., and has bought The Stein Double Cushion Tire Company plant and machinery. The new company is organized with a capitalization of \$350,000; \$250,000 common stock, and \$100,000 7 per cent. cumulative preferred stock, redeemable at 110 with accrued interest after January 1, 1916. The new company has been organized without any water in the stock. The plant is located in East Akron, near the factory of The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company. It consists of a three acre tract of land, a brick factory in good condition, with switching facilities, and free water rights, having a capacity of between 75 and 100 tires per day. The Stein Company has discontinued and liquidated its business.

New Incorporations

COMMER TRUCK COMPANY has been organized in New York City, with \$3,000,000 capital, to manufacture commercial cars.

AMERICAN TRUCK COMPANY, of New York City, has been incorporated with \$3,000,000 capital. Incorporators are Jos. F. Curtin and H. O. Coughlan.

The Motor Truck Corporation has been organized at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., with \$150,000 capital. The organizers are H. L. Bertsch and A. J. Albert.

McGraw Tire and Rubber Company, East Palestine, O., has been reincorporated under Ohio laws with a capital of \$1,000,000, \$200,000 of which is 7 per cent. preferred stock.

AMERICAN MOTOR FIRE APPARATUS COMPANY, Pittsburgh, Pa., has been organized with \$1,000,000 capital. The incorporators are P. F. B. Bithel, P. S. Chambers and Thomas L. P. Farr.

DREADNOUGHT TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY has been incorporated with \$1,000,000 capital at Baltimore, Md., and will erect a large factory in South Baltimore, occupying 4½ acres of land. The officers of the new company are President, A. F. Gilbert; Vice-President and General Manager, Wilmer Dunbar; Secretary, Walter E. Hill; Treasurer, C. P. Triplett. The additional directors are A. B. Whitlock, H. E. Whitlock, R. H. Diggs, Albert W. Adt and Walter B. Swindell, Sr.

PERSONAL ITEMS

EDWARD Q. CORDNER has been appointed manager of the Garford Company's Chicago branch.

H. S. Hourt has resigned his position of sales manager of the American Locomotive Company.

George V. McMahan has become assistant sales manager and advertising manager of the Remy Electric Company, Kokomo, Ind.

A. J. DIEFENDERFER has been appointed manager of the New York City branch of the Lozier Motor Company.

R. B. McFarland has succeeded A. G. White as manager of the Locomobile Company's branch at St. Louis, Mo.

E. R. Benson, sales manager of the Studebaker Corporation, has been elected to the Vice-Presidency of the Company.

W. H. Davis, Jr., has been made advertising manager of the truck department of the Locomobile Company of America.

CHAS. W. CROSS, formerly with the General Motors Truck Company, has become sales manager for the Holley Brothers Company.

R. A. Dobyns, formerly with the Whitten-Gilmore Company, Boston, Mass., is now with the Kissel Kar branch in that city.

Hugo Hoffstaedter has succeeded A. Hauschild as General Manager of the Polack Tire & Rubber Company, New York City.

GEO. W. YEOMAN has succeeded sales Manager Wierengo, of the Continental Motor and Manufacturing Company, Detroit, Mich.

George E. Blakeslee has succeeded W. L. Case as Vice President and General Manager of the Lansden Company, Newark, N. J.

George L. East, formerly with the Olds Motor Works, is now assistant advertising manager of the Timken-Detroit Axle Company.

FRANK M. RIDLER, long connected with the Pope Manufacturing Company, has been promoted to the position of sales manager

Ernest C. Cox has been appointed manager of Findeisen & Kropf Manufacturing Company's branch at 1902 Broadway, New York City.

W. F. NORTON has been promoted to the position of general superintendent of the Selden Motor Vehicle Company, Rochester, N. Y.

Leigh Best, one of the vice-presidents of the American Locomotive Company, has become head of the automobile department of that company.

D. C. HATHAWAY, formerly with the Dayton Auto Truck Company, has been made manager of the Cleveland branch of the Kelly-Springfield Motor Truck Company.

W. H. WILLIAMS has been promoted to the position of advertising manager of the Franklin Automobile Company, Syracuse, N. Y., succeeding George H. Bryant.

H. H. GOODHART, formerly with the H. H. Franklin Motor Car Company, Syracuse, N. Y., has been appointed Advertising Manager for the Lippard-Stewart Motor Car Company.

O. E. Stoll has been appointed assistant sales manager of the General Motors Truck Company, succeeding E. J. Kilhorn, who becomes manager of the Chicago branch of the company.

Fred J. Wagner, well known in the automobile trade, has become head of the Consolidated Lubricants Company, which hereafter will be known as the Wagner Oil Company, New York City.

W. W. Wuchter, formerly president and general manager of the Swinehart Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, O., has become identified with the Gibney Tire & Rubber Company, of Philadelphia.

H. W. MILLER, formerly connected with the sales department of the Studebaker Corporation, has joined the sales organization of the Lozier Motor Company, with headquarters at the central offices at Detroit.

JOHN P. ADAMSON, Columbus, Ohio, has sold out his interest in the firm of Adamson-Wedemeyer Auto Company, and will cover the state of Ohio for the Truck Department of the International Harvester Company.

JAMES JOYCE, formerly general manager of the Selden Motor Vehicle Company, has been made manager of the Philadelphia branch of the Kelly-Springfield Motor Truck Company. His branch is located at 4518 Baltimore Avenue.

ELROY J. KULAS has become the general sales manager of the Peerless Motor Car Company, Cleveland, O. Mr. Kulas was president and general manager of the Tungstolier Company, Cleveland, O., of which he made a brilliant success,

W. M. ROBERTS has discontinued his connection with the Mais Motor Truck Company, and is now prominently connected with the sales department of the Stewart Iron Works Company, Cincinnati, O., makers of the Stewart commercial car.

W. C. PRICKETT, formerly district manager in Northern Ohio for the Randolph Motor Truck Company, has been appointed salesman in the Cleveland branch of the Kelly-Springfield Motor Company, located at No. 1829 E. 13th Street, Wigmore Building.

F. W. Elston, sales manager of the Petroleum Coke Company, Philadelphia, Pa., manufacturer of Motorlight oils and greases, was formerly a branch manager of the Marshall Field interests, with which concern he made quite a sales record. His aggressiveness will no doubt be felt by the competitors of the Petroleum Coke Company's products.

FINANCIAL ITEMS

CLEVELAND-GALION TRUCK COMPANY is in the hands of A. B. Thompson as receiver,

Poss Motor Company, Detroit, Mich., referee L. E. Joslyn, has sold the remaining property of the company to Charles D. Todd for \$5500.

RANDOLPH MOTOR TRUCK COMPANY, Chicago, Ill., and Flint, Mich., is in financial difficulties. Its assets are stated to be \$47,000 and liabilities \$65,000.

KNOX AUTOMOBILE COMPANY, Springfield, Mass., has been declared bankrupt. Its assets are given as \$1,380,386 and liabilities as \$1,286,409. The receivers, E. O. Sutton, H. G. Fisk and C. C. Lewis, are endeavoring to effect a reorganization.

Trade Changes, New Factories and Trucks

RAVENNA AUTO TRUCK COMPANY, Ravenna, O., recently organized, is erecting a plant 50 x 150 ft.

TRIPLE ACTION SPRING COMPANY, Chicago, Ill., is now located in a new factory at 56-61 E. Twenty-eighth Street.

BLAIR MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Newark, O., have had such a large sale of commercial cars that they have decided to double their output for this year.

Kelly-Springfield Motor Truck Company, Springfield, O., has moved its New York City branch to 239-241 W. 56th Street.

RAPP MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Toledo, O., manufacturer of spark plugs, has changed its name to the Toledo Spark Plug Manufacturing Company.

WILLYS-OVERLAND COMPANY, Toledo, O., is building a new office building 80 x 200 ft., five stories high, on Central Avenue between Yost and Derby Streets, Toledo, O.

THE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE COMPANY, of Indianapolis, Ind., is erecting an addition to its factory in the shape of a modern brick and cement building.

Chas. E. Kellom & Company, Philadelphia, Pa., maker of Invader Oils, has transferred the entire business and good will of the company to a new company, to be known as The Invader Oil Company.

MOTOR WAGON COMPANY, of Detroit. Mich., has decided to add a ½-ton truck to its models for 1913. The new ½-ton wagon will be constructed of standard parts and a four-cycle, four-cylinder motor will be utilized.

Brown Commercial Car Company, Peru, Ind., has sold its unoccupied foundry building to the Peru Machine & Castings Company. This company will hereafter manufacture the castings for the Brown Company.

WHITE COMPANY, Cleveland, O., has added to its factory space a one-story sawtooth building 160 x 240 ft. to be used for chassis testing and body building, and allows for just that much expansion in other departments.

Automobile Manufacturing & Engineering Company, Detroit, Mich., has acquired a factory site of 108 acres at Nashville, Tenn., and will at once construct a factory 60 x 200 ft. for the production of the Evans commercial car.

Goodspeed-Detroit Manufacturing Company has been organized in Detroit, Mich., for the purpose of manufacturing automobile parts. The new company will erect a two story factory 100 x 160 ft. on Parker Avenue, near Hastings

J. A. Mais Commercial Car Company is being organized in Indianapolis, Ind., to manufacture a new 1500 lb. commercial car, designed by J. A. Mais, who is a younger brother of A. F. Mais, formerly of the Mais Motor Truck Company, and now with the Studebaker Corporation.

DIEBOLD-PETERS COMPANY, Cleveland, Ohio. Charles C. Diebold has retired from the company and organized a new company to be known as the Diebold Products Company, which has located on St. Clair Avenue, near 55th Street, and will specialize in the manufacture of automobile parts.

AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, New Albany, Ind., has been succeeded by a reorganized company under the name of the Ohio Falls Motor Car Company, with a capital of \$450,000.

The Swinehart Tire & Rubber Company, of Akron, O., has let contracts for additional buildings. One addition, 100 x 70 ft., and three stories high, will be added to its main plant Other buildings, including a laboratory, 30 x 60 ft., have been erected. In the main building will be installed the most modern, up-to-date rubber machinery capable of tripling the Company's present output.

CAPITAL INCREASES

Croxton Motor Car Company, Washington, Pa., has increased its capital stock from \$300,000 to \$400,000.

FOUR WHEEL DRIVE AUTO COMPANY, Clintonville, Wis., has increased its capital from \$110,000 to \$250,000.

GENERAL MOTORS TRUCK COMPANY, Pontiac, Mich., has increased its capital by the addition of \$250,000,

Bowling Green Motor Car Company, Bowling Green, O., has increased its capital from \$100,000 to \$200,000; \$75,000 of the additional stock is 7 per cent. preferred and \$25,000 common.

H. H. Franklin Manufacturing Company, Syracuse, N. Y., has increased its capital stock from \$300,000 to \$1,500,000, divided into 9000 shares of common and 6000 of 7 per cent. cumulative preferred.

Mather Spring Company, Toledo, O., has increased its capital stock from \$100,000 to \$300,000. Improvements and additions to the factory will be made as soon as spring opens, costing approximately \$100,000.

VELIE MOTOR VEHICLE COMPANY, Moline, Ill., has increased its capital stock from \$600,000 to \$800,000, and the capital stock of the Velie Engineering Company has been increased from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

AMERICAN TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, Akron, Ohio, has increased its capital stock from \$200,000 to \$500,000, and Adam Duncan has been succeeded to the presidency of the company by James Shaw. Frank Pfeiffer has been elected treasurer.

NEW BRANCHES

Mais Motor Truck Company have established a Chicago branch and service station at Nos. 716, 718 and 720 East 39th Street.

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR COMPANY, of New York City, has opened a New England branch at 201 Pleasant Street, Boston, Mass., in charge of R. F. Ketchum, who was formerly with the General Motors Truck Company.

EDW. G. BUDD MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Philadelphia, Pa., manufacturers of metal automobile bodies, have established a branch factory at Detroit, Mich., having acquired the plant formerly occupied by the Grabowsky Power Wagon Company.

ABENDROTH & ROOT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 50 Church Street, New York City, have opened a sales office and service station at 278-80 Halsey Street, Newark, N. J. A. G. Bogardus is general manager of the truck department of the company and will make his headquarters at the Newark depot.



THE PUBLISHERS PERSONAL PACE

"It makes a big difference whether you retire from business, or business retires from you."

The use of trucks is increasing at a rate which is astonishing even those most intimately associated with the commercial car industry. The number of trucks in use to-day is vari-ously estimated at from forty-five thousand to over fifty thousand. Statistics show that last year's output

was in the neighborhood of thirtyfour thousand. This coming season will undoubtedly add eighty thousand cars to this number, which, even allowing for the cars which go out of commission, will mean a total in use of not less than one hundred and ten thousand.

Are you using trucks?

Be Up to Date

The time has gone by when past successes were considered an element of strength. In this day and age experience counts for less than it formerly did. This is an age of great progress; of rapid change; experience is not needed so much as is courage to break away from old methods.

Have You the Courage?

Have you broken away from the old horse methods? Are you up to date? Have you adopted and perfected a system of commercial car delivery in your business? This is a vital question at the present time. It has been said, "The man that does not avail himself of modern methods, is right at the outset giving himself a handicap that scarcely the wit of a Mark Twain, the genius of an Edison, or the ability of a Rockefeller can -Use trucks! overcome."

men of any other nation. Even in London streets trucks appear scarce as compared to New York or Chicago. In the matter of motor 'buses alone does Europe still lead us, but this has been brought about by the lack in Europe of such efficient street-car service as has existed in this country for many years. To an American, a lumbering, coal locomotive with smokestack belching volumes of black smoke, is a crudity which would not be tolerated in any business section of our large cities. Americans de-

mand trucks which operate and ride

America Ahead

The superiority of America in the manufacture of machinery holds good in regard to the making of motordriven trucks. American merchants have shown their progressiveness to the world by adopting commercial cars to a greater extent than business

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almost the same as touring cars, and the American maker has come up to this demand with his product.

Our Second Anniversary

Speaking of remarkable growths, we must not fail to mention the tremendous increase in circulation which

> is taking place in the Commercial Car Journal. This issue is our birthday number, and marks the second year of our growth. From the outset the Journal has been well received. and we take this opportunity of thanking our readers and advertisers for their appreciation of our efforts, and trust that we may continue to be mutually helpful to each other in the future as in the past.

Circulation Statements

The stand which the Chilton Company has taken to make it compulsory for all trade publications to make known their circulation by means of post-office records, is receiv-

ing the support and sanction of the car makers.

The feeling on this subject is shown by the accompanying letter:

THE CHILTON COMPANY.

Philadelphia, Pa

Gentlemen:—We wish to take this means of ad-vising you of our appreciation of your efforts towards making it obligatory upon periodicals to print detailed circulation statements in each issue.

We recognize that this fight that you are carrying on, is one for the interest of the advertiser as well as yourselves, and we are glad to note the efforts that you are putting forth in that direction.

Yours truly.

AVERY COMPANY.

E. R. Bowen, Advertising Manager.

An Effective Form for Keeping Daily Truck Expenses

BY ALBERT M. PEARSON

Sales Manager, Philadelphia Truck Department, The Locomobile Company of America

For a long time the fact has been apparent that a cleaner cut system of keeping truck costs must be evolved if the truck is to be brought to its highest point of efficiency.

In nearly every instance investigation proves that two conditions exist; one is that no especial effort is made to keep the truck expenses; and the other one is that it is gotten up on a monthly form in such shape that few men take the time to digest it.

The man who really should be checked up and brought to realize the existence of his trucks is the man who is responsible for the investment therein, and for the expenses that are necessarily incurred in the operation of these trucks.

It is a strange, but absolutely true fact, that whereas every business house will balance its cash each day, none of them balance the expense accounts each day, and yet the cash is an absolutely certain factor; whereas the expense account is one which varies in such particulars that it may even become a menace to the welfare of the business if it is not properly brought before the man who is spending the money.

It is conceded by everybody that a perpetual condition, such as a perpetual inventory, automatic reports, etc., are the things which are necessary at the present time for the successful conduct of a business enterprise; therefore, years of experience in truck transportation work has taught that the only possible way by which a man can successfully operate trucks is to know exactly what his truck is costing him each day.

To cover this point, therefore a Daily Truck Report was devised which will give an adequate illustration of the idea. This is not a form for any particular business, but is a suggested form, which, modified to meet the needs of any business, will, if properly applied, prove highly successful.

JOHN SMITH DRY GOODS COMPANY Smithville, N. J.

Daily Truck Report-Truck No. 14.

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WILL OWENS, Transportation Manager. It will be readily seen that the report is divided into fixed charges and variable charges. The fixed charges naturally remain in the same at all times in accordance with the locality in which the truck is operated. The variable charges are made out on a mileage basis, and are, of course, the element in which the danger of excessive cost lurks.

On the report, dated October 7th, is shown a fairly normal day. The only item which seems out of the way is the fact that \$1.25 was spent for rope. A glance at some of the other reports within the last week or ten days will show you whether or not rope has been purchased recently, and if it has, it is, of course, easy to check back and find out why the item of rope appears so frequently in the expenses of the truck

On October 8th, let us say, the report is practically the same as on October 7th, but there is \$3.00 for Repairs to be looked into, and there is also one item which must be checked up very closely, and that is the fact that although they made forty miles only on October 8th, they used eleven gallons of gasoline; whereas on October 7th, they made fifty miles on ten gallons of gasoline. This may be true from a number of different reasons—the engine running while the motor is standing still, or the low speed work necessary in heavy weather. At any rate, unless the man who spends the money knows just why this condition exists, he is going to look this matter up, if it is brought to his attention immediately after it happens, and not a week or ten days, or a month later.

On October 9th, say an item appears of \$83.25 for repairs paid on that day for an accident which occurred on the 12th day of September. The fact that the expenses on that day show \$95.80 instead of about \$15.00 is immediately going to bring to the attention of the manager the fact that an accident occurred and it is a natural thing for him to begin to investigate more closely and to find out more clearly why this accident occurred, and in what way in the future such things may be avoided.

The expenses of October 10th are practically what they were on October 7th with the exception that ten gallons of gasoline cost \$2.20 instead of \$1.70. The minute this item appears before the director of this truck, he immediately finds out why such an excess is in existence. If possible, why they can't buy gasoline cheaper, or if they cannot in some way facilitate the operation of this car so that a greater amount of mileage may be realized on a less consumption. An item also appears in the Memorandum of \$125.50 for an adjustment on tires. The presence of this memorandum will make the man, who is spending the money on this truck, at once begin to go into matters and see whether or not the tire people are really giving him the mileage guaranteed, which he has previously assumed was being done,

Such illustrations can be cited without end and of course, from this report form any number of different reports may be worked out—A Weekly Report showing an average cost; or a Monthly Report showing an average cost; but the aim is to bring to the man's notice, who is spending the money, the exact amount which has been expended on the truck each day.

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A PLEA FOR A NATIONAL FALL COMMER-CIAL CAR SHOW



STORY is making very rapidly in the commercial car industry. But a few years ago it was questionable whether any kind of a separate commercial car show could be successful. Now, it is a question of entirely separating the commercial car shows from the present national shows of New

York and Chicago, and in their place instituting a new kind of commercial car exhibit, which will be a combination outdoor and indoor show held during the month of September. There is an increasing desire on the part of the truck makers to have a show which will be essentially a trade show, and one at which the vehicles and the numerous power appliances, which are as yet in their swaddling clothes, can be demonstrated in action.

Making this big Fall show the one and only national show will simply make the New York and Chicago shows local, to be handled in the same way that the Boston, Cleveland, Detroit, Pittsburg, and other shows are now handled.

There is already manifest on the part of the Show Committee of the N. A. A. M., a desire to separate at least the truck shows from the present national shows at New York and Chicago. This was indicated at the recent executive com-

mittee meeting at which the Show Committee placed itself on record as opposing the holding of the truck shows in conjunction with the present New York and Chicago exhibits. This gives the desired opening for suggesting a big national outdoor and perhaps indoor combination show in the Fall, at some central location, such as Chicago or Detroit.

The advantages of such an exhibition are many. Trucks are more and more being recognized as a chassis upon which can be placed various types of containers. In numerous lines these compartments or bodies are actually separate machines for rapidly handling different kinds of material or commodities. The separating of the commercial car into a power driven chassis and a power operated mechanical body has only just begun. One of the greatest developments in the commercial car industry will of necessity be the growth and perfecting of innumerable power driven devices to be used in connection with the chassis for efficiently handling merchandise. Think of the stimulus to the show and to the industry, if there could be outdoor competitive trials of trucks and of these numerous devices, under conditions closely assimilating practice, and where the performance of each type could be carefully watched by dealers as well as by the purchasing agents of large contractors, business houses and corporations, from all parts of the United States.

If this big national show is held in the fall, it could take place at the same time as the national Automobile Retail Sales Convention. This would insure the getting together of the manufacturer and dealer as never before, making an event which instead of being a burden to the makers without adequate returns, would be invaluable to them as a means of placing their product advantageously.

Admission to the show should be free to all connected with the trade, a slight fee only being charged to keep out the merely curious. A business man's card should be sufficient for admission.

An indoor show could also be held in conjunction with the outdoor activity, and this could be as large and as representative as any national show at the present time, but the drawing feature would unquestionably be the live machinery shown in the open. Within the buildings, those interested could study the details of the various constructions and the manufacturers and agents could come together quietly, and contracts be arranged.

A Fall show would cause the opening of the selling season at an earlier date, more in conformity with the time at which the new models are now actually placed on the market. It is well known that large numbers of cars are seen for months on the streets before the December or January shows. With a fall show the selling season would not only open earlier but under most favorable conditions.

The manufacturers under this plan are relieved from the necessity of carrying the burden of several shows, and the entire trade would be upset and the routine of factory and office destroyed but once, instead of several times as at present. There would be an enormous saving to the trade itself in time and travelling expenses.

The shows in the large cities during the winter could be conducted by the leading dealers or the dealers' associations of the various cities, or might even be superseded, as has been suggested, by the show week at the salesrooms of the dealers which would cost less, and have the added advantage of attracting the purchaser directly to the agent's place of business. It is of course understood that the accessory dealers would also have "open house," or perhaps an accessory show held in conjunction with the dealers' week,

The accessory makers would of course exhibit as at present in conjunction with this National Fall Truck Show, and would not have to attend as many shows as at present.

THE COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL would like expressions of opinion on this show suggestion.

ADVERSE COMMERCIAL CAR LEGISLATION



OM the legislation which is now being proposed in New York state, it is evident that the truck industry is to go through the same ordeal of adverse legislation to which the pleasure car has been subjected. In early days most of this was aimed at the speed of the pleasure car. The present bills, if they become laws, would seriously hamper the de-

velopment of the commercial car.

The proposed legislation now before the New York legislature is the most drastic which has yet been brought forward in connection with commercial cars; not only is it drastic, but the spirit of the measures is entirely foreign to that spirit of justice and fair dealing which we are so prone to attribute to our day and generation. Furthermore, the bills themselves if literally enforced after becoming laws, would not produce the results which they are supposed to bring about.

There are many absurd and unjust features, for instance, the requiring of a surety company bond to be furnished by each owner; the stopping of all vehicles in front of fire houses, schools, street and railroad crossings, irrespective of conditions existing at these places. Such a regulation would not prevent accidents or loss of life. Reasonable caution as to speed should be enforced at such places, but allowing the driver to do just as he pleases provided he has at some point come to a dead stop, will not bring the desired results. Another bill actually classes the violation of speed regulations as a felony, on a par with larceny, arson, murder, etc. Those most familiar claim this bill would open unlimited possibilities for blackmail. Still another bill would make the owner of a truck responsible for any damage done by it when in the hands of any unauthorized person, for example, as when stolen. Photographs and thumb prints are to be required of all drivers to be compared with police records, thus assuming the drivers to be either criminals or at least closely associated with that class. One of the most unjust bills proposes an increase from \$5 as a flat rate per truck, to a rate of \$5 per ton or fraction thereof, while horse drawn vehicles go free. This is manifestly class legislation, and would be an enormous burden on commercial car users.

In Massachusetts a committee of the N. A. A. M. a year ago were successful in their fight against a proposed law. known as the Preservation of the Highways Measure, which was unjust in many respects. This measure was again brought forward this year, together with other unfavorable legislation which is being fought by the committee.

Every truck user should be actively alive to the effects that the passing of such laws would cause. In New York state the Motor Truck Club is actively enlisting the sympa-

thies of the business men in this fight, and this club and also the committee of the N. A. A. M. believes that measures passed in either New York or Massachusetts, would unquestionably have considerable bearing on the kind of legislation put through in other states.

However, up to this time no concerted action of the automobile interests has been made to oppose special taxes on automobiles and trucks. This perhaps may be accounted for by the fact that much of the revenue thus derived has been expended on roads. This, however, does not alter the fact that all such taxes are CLASS LEGISLATION, AND THEREFORE UNCONSTITUTIONAL, and as such should be opposed whenever and wherever presented. This is a matter which should be systematically taken up by the N. A. A. M. and the various organizations connected with the automobile industry throughout the United States.

ATTEMPTS TO LIMIT TRUCK WEIGHTS

Suggestion that the S. A. E. Standardize Weights Per Inch of Tire Width



ECENTLY a bill was brought before the New Jersey Legislature which would limit the weight of commercial cars used in cities to 12 tons, including both vehicle and load. The highway commissioners of New York are also considering introducing legislation along the same lines.

It is well appreciated by those in the trade that limiting the total weight is not the best method of caring for this situation or of protecting the pavements. The actual weight per inch of width of tire is the determining feature as far as road damage is concerned. Limiting the total weight is an injustice, and would have a very injurious effect on commercial car progress. At the present time the weight per inch of width of steel tired wagons and horse trucks is very much greater than on motor trucks. The rubber tire manufacturers are careful to see that the loads per inch of width do not exceed reasonable limits, therefore the heavier the load the wider the tire, and the truck becomes if heavy, a road rolling instrument. One might as well prohibit the use of a street roller because of its weight, this being the limiting case and showing conclusively that the weight is advantageous provided the tire width is sufficient. Furthermore as the width increases the allowable load per inch of width can be increased without damage to the road, but this is limited by the rubber.

The Society of Automobile Engineers has already standardized many of the features of truck design. Here is one which is sorely in need of standardization, namely, the practical allowable weight per inch of width of commercial car tires.

If this matter is to be made the subject of legislation, it is of the greatest importance that the basis of this legislation be determined by the engineers of the automobile industry, and not by lawyers or legislators, who know nothing of the matter from an engineering standpoint. It is therefore urged by us that the Society of Automobile Engineers at the earliest possible moment take up this important subject, and standardize the weights per inch of tire width, before harmful measures based on vehicle weights are enacted into laws.

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Number of carburetor makers.

Those claiming to save fuel and increase horse power.

THIS IS NO JOKE!!!

CONVENTIONS OF INTEREST TO THE TRADE

The list of conventions given below is to be published each month so that commercial car manufacturers can communicate with the proper authorities with the idea of arranging to give lectures, illustrated talks, statistics, etc., to show the advantage of motor trucks in these various lines, also possibly to show and demonstrate their cars.

March 17-18—State and National Hardware Men's Association will hold convention at St. Augustine, Fla. G. S. Wesgrave.

March 18-20—Florida Retail Hardware Association will convene at St. Augustine, Fla. W. K. Jackson, of Lakeland, is Secretary.

March 19-21—National Hardware Dealers' Association will hold convention at Jacksonville, Fla. G. E. Noblett, Tarpon Springs, in charge.

March 25-27—Exhibition by New England Hardware Dealers' Association.

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April—Texas Hardware Jobbers' Association will convene at Galveston, Tex. G. A. Trumbell, Dallas, President.
April 1-3—New York State Undertakers' and Embalmers' Association will hold convention at Corning, N. Y.
April 10-12—Joint Triple Convention of National Supply & Machinery Dealers' Association, American Supply and Machinery Manufacturers' Association and Southern Supply & Machinery Dealers' Association; Iudianapolis, Ind., Claypool Hotel.

April 12—Convention of South Texas Wholesale Grocers' Association, Curro, Tex.

April 17-18—Laundry Owners' Association of Kentucky will hold convention at Lexington, Ky. G. T. Graves, of Lexington, is on Executive 21-23-Mississippi Electric Association will hold convention at Natchez,

Committee.

April 21-23—Mississippi Electric Association will hold convention at Natchez, Miss.

April 24—Convention of Iowa State Electrical Association, Waterloo, Ia. H. B. Maynard, Secretary.

May 6-8—Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association of America will hold annual convention at Hotel Seelbach, Louisville, Ky. B. Bernheim on committee.

May 13-15—Florida Funeral Directors' and Embalmers' Association will hold convention at Jacksonville, Fla.

May 14—State Wholesale Grocers' Association will hold convention at Grafton, W. Va. W. C. McConaughey, Parkersburg, W. Va., President.

May 14-17—Convention of Southern Oregon and Northern California Mining Congress, Redding, Cal.

May 15-16—National Machine Tool Builders' Association will hold convention at Hotel Astor, New York City.

May 19-20—Convention of National Association of Retail Grocers, St. Louis, Mo. C. H. Kraas, Chairman.

May 26-28—Electrical Supply Jobbers' Association will hold convention at Indianapolis, Ind. R. D. DeWolf, of Rechester, N. V., is President, and D. L. Gaskill, of Greenville, O., is Secretary and Treasurer of the Executive Committee.

June—Convention of South Texas Wholesale Grocers' Association, Galveston, Tex. A. T. Lange, Galveston, Secretary.

June—Convention of American Iron, Steel and Heavy Hardware Association, Buffalo, N. V. F. C. Deming, Secretary.

June 2-6—Convention of National Hardwood Lumber Association, Chicago, Ill.

June 8-13—Meeting of the International Congress of Agriculture, Ghent, Belgium.

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June 8-13—Meeting of the International Congress of Agriculture, Ghent, Belgium.

June 9-15—Convention of National Association of Sheet Metal Contractors, Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C. J. A. Pierpont, Secretary.

June 10-12—The American Steel and Hardware Association will convene at Buffalo, N. Y. Harry Saunders, of the Chamber of Commerce, is Secretary of the committee in charge of preparations.

June 11-13—Convention of Oil Mill Superintendents' Association, Little Rock, Ark.

June 15—Convention of Mine Inspectors' Institute of America, Birmingham, Ala.

June 24-26—Convention of National Hay Association, Chicago, Ill. J. V. Taylor, Secretary.

July—Convention of National Hotel Keepers' Association, Minneapolis, Minn. R. H. Hawkes, Secretary.

July—21-4—Carolinas Retail Hardware Dealers' Association Convention, Richmond, Va. T. W. Dixon, Secretary, Charlotte, N. C.

July 10—National Electrical Contractors' Association will hold convention at Chattanooga, Tenn.

July 21-24—Convention of National Cleaners' and Dyers' Association of the United States and Canada, Omaha, Neb. Rome Hotel.

July 21-25—North Dakota State Firemen's Association will hold convention at Cedar Point, Ohio.

August—14-16—National Electrics Lighting Association will hold convention at Macon, Ga. W. L. Southwell, of Macon, is Chairman of Executive Committee.

August 14-16—National Electric Lighting Association will hold convention in New York City. Exhibits will be housed at Madison Square Garden. James McFall, Secretary, Roanoke, Va.

September 1-15—Fire Chiefs' Association will hold convention in New York City. Exhibits will be housed at Madison Square Garden. James McFall, Secretary, Roanoke, Va.

September 3-13—South Dakota State Fair.

September 3-13—Secretary.

October—National Hardware Jobbers' Association will h

October 13-19—American Foundrymen's Association will hold convention at La Salle Hotel, Chicago, Ill. October 14-16—Grain Dealers' National Association will hold convention at

La Sanc ber 14-16—Grain New Orleans, La.

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October 20-26—Georgia State Fair. M. V. Calvin, Secretary, Macon, Ga. November—Million Dollar Fair. New Orleans, La.

December 10-12—Wisconsin Retail Implement and Vehicle Dealers' Association will hold convention at Milwaukee, Wis. G. F. Borchardt, South Milwaukee, Wis., President.

February 9-14 (1914)—Retail Hardware Association of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey will hold convention at Baltimore, Md. W. P. Lewis, Huntingdon, Pa., is Secretary.

Steel and Rubber Markets

Steel Makes Another Slight Advance

The market price of steel has advanced 50c a ton during the past month, due to the fact that although there was a slight lull in the quantity of orders received, the mills are still four to five months behind and many heavy orders were placed at advanced prices to secure prompt shipment, stiffening the general market.

Quotations of March 10th were:

 Bessemer steel, per ton, mill
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 Open hearth, per ton, mill
 .29 00 a30 0

 Sheet bars, per ton
 .30 00 a31 0

 STEEL BARS

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he following prices are for 100-bundle lots and over f. o, b. mill; smaller \$2 00 per ton higher.

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| Steel bars 1 | 40 3 1 45 |
| Black sheets, 28-gauge | 35 3 |
| Galvanized sheets, 28-gauge | 60 3 |
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Rubber Decline Continues—Reaches 94

Crude rubber continues to decline, having receded 6c per pound in the past month from 100 to 94 at which it was quoted on March 11th. The regular fortnightly sale in London showed a further loss of 1/2 to 1/4. Quotations on March 11th were:

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| Caucho- | | | Accra, lb 42 a 43 |
| Ball 66 | a | 70 | Gambia, prime 56 a 57 |
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| Corinto 71 | 1 8 | 7.2 | Sm'k sh'ts 97 a 98 |
| Esmeralda 70 | | | Ceylon, bis and sh'ts 95 a 96 |
| Guatemala, slab 48 | 3 a | 49 | Pale crepe 96 a 97 |
| Mexican- | | | Borneo I 58 a 59 |
| Scrap 7 | | 72 | Borneo II 46 a 47 |
| Strips and scrap 7 | | | Borneo III 38 a |
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Trinidad, b'k Nominal LONDON, March 10.—Closing: Up-river fine, 35 11d; up-river 11d; pale crepe, 38 1144d, basis first latex. Prices are for spearby. Market closed quiet but steady.

| SCRAP RUBBER—DOMESTIC | | |
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| Boots and shoes | 9%a | 10 |
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| Bicycle, pneumatic | | |
| Wagon and carriage, solid | 9.55 3 | 9.34 |

Information Bureau and Correspondence

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW? FREE SERVICE

There are many important questions about commercial cars, or their use or care, upon which we feel sure our readers would like to be more fully advised.

Write us stating fully what you want to know. Address Information Bureau,

COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL, Market & 49th Sts., Phila., Pa.

TRUCK OPERATOR FAVORS STARTERS

To The Editor

In regard to engine starters on commercial vehicles, private operator I think there are several reasons why the starters should be made a part of the engine, and it is coming very fast and coming to stay, regardless of the protests of Mr. Manufacturer.

In the first place it is not very pleasant to go in front of the car in mud and snow to crank the engine; second, if you have a lever beside your seat to start the engine with, you will have the whole control of the machine from the seat; third, in crowded streets where you slow down the motor, sometimes stalling it, you are obliged to go down and up; that all takes time and stops traffic; and fourth, when there are many stops to be made it certainly tires one to crank the engine. In regard to having extra parts, I do not consider serious, as one more lever beside the driver will not complicate the operation of the car in any way,

Recently I saw in the Scientific American just such a starter which was very simple indeed and I am sure that even those most opposed to extra parts will not object to it.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. WM. M. BAILEY.

In all kinds of machinery extra parts are added as the capacity, utility or convenience of the machine is increased, and this at the expense of simplicity. The automobile of today is no exception, and contains many more parts than the earliest models.

Non-stalling and starting from the seat are now talking points of the electric.

Dirty, muddy feet of drivers delivering goods, which have to be carried into the customer's house, are not inducements to trade with stores using trucks, which necessitate drivers getting into the mud. Drivers as a class suffer more from injuries due to cranking than private owners, as they are usually more careless.

The internal combustion engine is the only prime mover that must be hand started. It is really up to the manufacturers to supply this want, to put the most modern motor on an equal footing. Incorporating the starter as a part of the mechanism will cut down the number of parts to the minimum. For low-priced trucks seat starting levers or pedals might be cheaper and provide the desired simplicity.-Ed.

TRUCK MOTOR STARTERS

By L. C. Freeman, Chief Engineer of the Federal Motor Truck Company.

Is the use of a self-starter on a truck advisable? There is just one thing for the buyer to consider in answering this question and that is-does it pay?-will the greater profit be shown at the end of the year by a truck with a self-starter or by one without?

Simplicity is synonymous with low operating cost and a self-starter adds complication and a lot of it. Does this additional complication reduce the operating expenses more than they are increased by the interest on the additional investment and by the depreciation and repairs on the added

The advocates of the self-starter claim for it the following advantages:-

- The saving in gasoline, because the motor is stopped when the car is standing still.
 The saving of the driver's time in starting the
- The advantage of being able to start from the seat if the motor is accidentally stalled in congested traffic
- 4. The fact that some cities are passing ordinances prohibiting cars being left unattended with the motors running, thus necessitating either the employment of an extra man or else the stopping of the motor every time the driver leaves the car

Examining these claimed advantages one by one, we find that either number one or number two can be eliminated at the outset, because if the motor is stopped, there is no more loss of gasoline without the self-starter than with it, while if it is left running there is no more loss of time in starting, in fact, not quite so much. So while the self-starter may justify either one of these claims, both cannot be true.

If the car is built as it should be with throttle control by accelerator only and ignition by fixed spark high tension magneto, the driver cannot leave it with the motor running faster than its fixed minimum speed nor with the spark re-

The gasoline consumption of a motor running idle under these conditions will not be, at a liberal estimate, more than one quart per hour, so if the motor runs idle four hours per day the consumption of gasoline will be but one gal-

If we assume the extra cost to the buyer of a truck equipped with an air or electric starter to be \$200.00 and repair and maintenance charges \$2.00 a month, necessary to make the starter last five years, a balance sheet will not show in favor of a self-starter.

| Interest at 6 per cent. on \$200\$12.00 | |
|---|---|
| Depreciation at 20 per cent | 0 |
| Repairs and maintenance 24.0 | 0 |
| Total extra yearly cost\$76.0 | 0 |
| Saving of 1 gal. gasoline a day for three hundred | |
| days equals three hundred gals. at 18c\$72.00 | 0 |

So the self-starter certainly shows no saving on gasoline. A mechanical starter can, of course, be installed for less than the amount stated above, but even they necessitate the use of a dual or a double ignition system with a storage battery and coil and its attendant complication of wiring, while without the starter, a simple, easily replaced, high tension, fixed spark magneto with but four wires running direct to the plugs and one ground wire to an off-and-on switch mounted on a metal dash, provides the simplest and most satisfactory form of ignition apparatus.

In support of the above statement notice the advertisements of the electric starter manufacturers in which they claim not merely to turn the motor over, but to spin it, which is manifestly impossible to do satisfactorily with a mechanical starter, hence the necessity for the auxiliary ignition, as while the motor with a fixed spark magneto can be started usually with a quarter turn of the crank, such is not always the case and the starter that works only part of the time is worse than none at all. Then it must be remembered that any form of starter, other than a mechanical one, requires power to spin the motor in starting and that this stored-up energy must be obtained from the motor when running, which means the burning of more gasoline. Then again the driver usually opens the throttle wide when starting and allows the motor to race for a moment and this again increases the consumption, so it seems that instead of there being a saving due to the use of a self-starter, there is an actual loss.

In regard to the claimed saving in time, the figures again show up unfavorably to the self-starter. The cost of a 3000-lb, truck when standing is about five mills a minute. If the truck stops ten times an hour and one-half minute is lost each stop in cranking, the loss due to this will be two and one-half cents an hour or twenty-five cents a day or \$75,00 a year. No saving is here shown in favor of the starter. It is to be remembered also that it is a much more delicate mechanism than anything else on the truck and is more liable to accident and injury with a resulting material increase in the maintenance charges assumed above. This is also the answer to claim number four.

As regards claim number three, one has but to refer to conditions in London where the traffic is claimed (and justly) to be the worst in the world and where it is very seldom that one sees a motor stalled.

The truck is at the present time a very efficient piece of mechanism and any new device which it is proposed to add must bear careful scrutiny, as to its value, not to the sales department by giving another "talking point," but to the user, from the standpoint of service and economy.

"The Public will be served" and manufacturers will be forced to furnish whatever is demanded, but any maker who does not think a proposed addition or change to be for the best interests of the user and who nevertheless follows the crowd without a protest because it is the easiest way is just as guilty as those who foster a demand for their own selfish interests.

We shall be glad to hear from others who have views on this subject.—Editor.

BELIEVES IN SIMPLICITY

To the Editor:

Your reply to the letter of the Federal Truck Company noted. It seems to me that they are right. There are already too many parts to an auto. The expense of running one is still far too high. While it may be true and doubtless generally is, that a motor vehicle can be run at less expense than horses, the fact remains that the final form will be one of extreme simplicity and light weight. Everything progresses that way. The complex is a mark of primitiveness. The simple form is the one which shows a full understanding of the problem and is a matured solution of the problem.

Adding more parts than the engine contains is not the solution of the starting matter. The driver must mount the vehicle. Why not use a ratchet start and let his weight turn the motor over as he steps into place? We fit our light buggies with a rope to pull the engine over. This has but a half dozen very small and inexpensive parts and adds a very inappreciable weight.

Simplicity will win.

CHAS. E. DURYEA.

DELIVERY CAR WANTED

[227] We wish to purchase a 1500 lb. truck for handling vegetables and small fruits of all kinds. The distance to travel would be about 100 miles per week over part macadamized and part dirt roads with some 15 to 18 per cent. grades. We thought of purchasing a friction transmission truck, but some say it will not prove satisfactory on hilly roads. Please give your opinion of the several different types of transmissions.

ASPERS, PA. JOHN GARRETSON.

There are three general forms of transmissions used in gasoline motor trucks—friction, planetary and spur gear types. For each, the manufacturers claim many advantages. If your road conditions are as hilly as you estimate, and portions of them are composed of dirt, which at times will represent heavy going for the vehicle, we are inclined to lean slightly toward the use of a machine having a spur type of gear transmission, either what is generally known as a selective or progressive type, with preference for the former. Our advertising columns contain the names of many manufacturers of excellent machines along the lines you have in mind.—Ed.

S. A. E. BRANCHES DISCUSS KEROSENE QUESTION

At the meeting at the Metropolitan section of the Society of Automobile Engineers, 1787 Broadway, New York City, in March, and at the meeting of the Indiana branch of the S. A. E., on February 18th, at Indianapolis, the subject of discussion was the much talked of fuel question. Kerosene was discussed in New York by A. C. Bennett, of the Wilcox-Bennett Carburetor Company, and in Indianapolis by John A. Secor, of the M. Rumely Company, of La Porte, Ind.

Officers of the New York branch were elected as follows: Joseph A. Anglada, re-elected president; Herbert Chase, treasurer; and N. B. Pope, secretary.

The New York delegation protested against the radical measures now being introduced at Albany in connection with the tax on trucks, etc., and will probably send a committee to Albany.

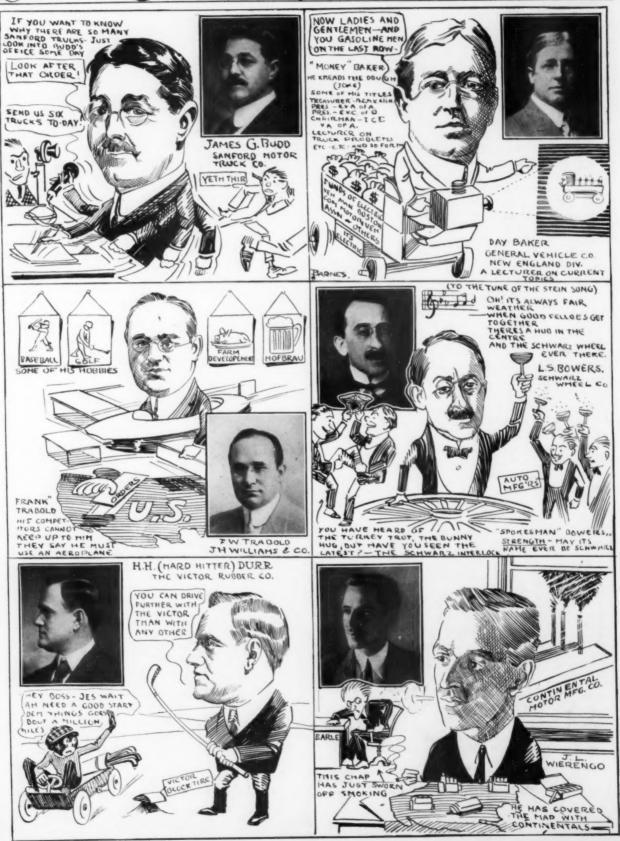
A. C. Bennett made a statement that his company would soon have something definite and reliable in the way of a kerosene carburetor, especially suitable for use on trucks. These carburetors have already been successfully used on farm tractors.

The system employed consists of a vaporizer for the kerosene, mixing it with air, and injecting it with a small quantity of water into the cylinders; 70 lbs. compression can be used. The carburetor has 70 jets in the walls which progressively come into operation as the suction increases until all are in use.

At Indianapolis Mr. Secor, who is the inventor of the Secor-Higgins carburetor successfully used on the Oil Pull tractors, described his method of using kerosene. He does not favor heating the oil or mixture. The secret of success was said to be simultaneous regulation of air, water and fuel by a governor. This carburetor will be described in the next issue of the Commercial, Car Journal.

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR COMPANY, of New York City, manufacturers of the Saurer, Mack and Hewitt trucks, have made a report showing net profits for the year ending December 31, 1912, after deducting all expenses and depreciation, \$590,149. Three new members have been added to the Board of Directors, T. L. Chadbourne, W. E. Corey and W. T. Gramm. All of the old members of the board were re-elected.





The Systematized Service Station of the General Motors Company, at Detroit

BY LEN G. SHAW



HEN the General Motors Company established a service station in Detroit it was with a twofold object in view: to provide owners of G M C trucks with real service, and to start a practical missionary work that would result in the adoption of this form of transportation by concerns, that must be shown. How the plan has worked out, and the re-

sults achieved in the brief space of time the station has been in commission, furnishes an interesting chapter in system as applied to the selling of motor trucks.

To begin with, a site was selected in the heart of the heavy hauling district and the owner of the land was induced to erect a fireproof building designed for the purpose. The service station has a depth of 280 ft., and a frontage of 175 ft., with an additional 100 ft. of property adjoining, that can be utilized when required.

The station has approximately 49,000 sq. ft. of floor space, every inch of which is available because of the manner in which it is laid out. It is a one-story structure, lighted and ventilated by means of a double monitor roof running the entire length of the building, a hot-air blower system placed under the monitors providing heat.

Four rows of uprights supporting the roof trusses run longitudinally and are spaced 25 ft. apart, giving plenty of room in each division thus formed for two of the largest trucks, with space to get all the way around them. If desired, three smaller trucks can be stored here.

Running lengthwise of the station, with double doors on both Fort and Lafayette Streets, are two wide aisles, in which, if it was deemed necessary, a double row of trucks could be stored without congestion.

Entrance to the station is from Lafayette boulevard, both aisles being utilized for the purpose. Exits are on Fort Street. Once inside the door the driver, if his machine is equipped with oil lamps, is required to extinguish them. Then the truck is run to the supply room, located at the entrance end of the building and between the two aisles, directly on the way to the storage space. Here gasoline is taken on by means



One Corner of the Manager's Office in the GMC Garage
It will be noticed that the most modern office machinery is in use,
such as adding machines, desk 'phones, etc.



Interior View of GMC Garage

The trucks are so distributed over the floor that the repair and wash men have access to all sides of every car. This view shows a man examining the motor with a portable trouble lamp, while another is washing.

of a tube and a self-measuring device, fuel thus supplied being entered on the owner's charge slip. Lubricating oil is stored close at hand, and measured out by an attache of the station, the driver approving the slip. The car is checked in, the time of its arrival being noted, and it goes on to the space assigned to it, each machine having a tag numbered to correspond with the figures above its location, where it is ready for the nightly

The floor of the station, of cement, slopes gradually to the south, or exit end, with sewer traps at frequent intervals. When the last car is in for the night, a man armed with a hose, starts at the north end of the station and proceeds down the line, giving each machine a thorough soaking. Following him comes another who puts the finishing touches on with the hose. Hot and cold water faucets are attached to each column some 4 ft. above the floor, so that a supply of water is constantly available for each machine. There is also a cut-in for electric lights on each post, so that men engaged in overhauling a machine, are not compelled to work in the dark. By the time the last machine has been washed the floor at the upper end of the row is dry, and the grade is sufficient so that all dirt is carried away.

At the outset it was customary for mechanics to go over every car each night, looking for parts that needed attention. In some instances this plan proved unsatisfactory, truck owners often intimating undue activity on the part of the inspectors, so that maintenance charges could be swelled. Now repairs and adjustments are made only upon order from the driver, eliminating a fruitful cause for complaints that were usually unwarranted.

When repairs or adjustments become necessary expert mechanics make them, charging for the time and cost of materials. No attempt is made at turning over a profit from work of this nature, the aim being rather to convince the truck owner that he is getting real service.

Adjustments and minor repairs are usually made with the car on the station floor, thus effecting a saving of time, over what would be required if each car was run into the machine



A Section of the Machine and Blacksmith Shop in the GMC Garage

The machine and hand tools here are capable of turning out any kind of repair work

shop. Where repairs or replacements are of such a nature that the services of the machine room are required, the truck is sent there. Here is equipment sufficient for every need, it being possible to entirely dismantle a truck and reassemble it expeditiously. Skilled auto workers are constantly employed, and there is not an hour out of the twenty-four when a mechanic is not instantly available.

Adjoining is a woodworking shop, where minor repairs of this nature can be made. Close by is the parts room, an interesting feature of the system. The Detroit service station is also selling headquarters for four states, Michigan, Ohio, Southern Indiana and Kentucky, which means that it renders service to this great stretch of territory. In this stock room are carried all parts for every type of truck turned out by the General Motors Company, and also of all models made by the different truck concerns before they were absorbed by the General Motors Company. Here is to be found a museum depicting commercial vehicle evolution, some of the machines dating back nine years or more. Every piece is classified so as to be instantly available.

If anything goes wrong with a truck owned in Detroit, it is possible to make repairs at once. If it is a machine in some distant part of the territory served that meets with a mishap, the necessary parts can immediately be forwarded by express, as the location and pedigree of every truck in the district is kept in the office.

A light machine, known as a "trouble shooter," is kept to render first aid to the injured in Detroit. If a truck cared for by the General Motors Company meets with an accident, the driver calls up the service station, giving the nature of the trouble. The hurry-up machine is dispatched with a mechanic, who is equipped to make temporary repairs or minor replacements. If the accident is of a nature that puts the machine out of commission, another truck is sent out to transfer the load and see that it is delivered, while the disabled machine is towed back to the station. In this manner the owner of the truck suffers no annoyance. Delivery of goods is guaranteed by the service station, and reasonable cartage fees are charged, while the extra machine is doing the work of the disabled one, as it undergoes repairs. This insures against disorganization of delivery service, and does away with expensive

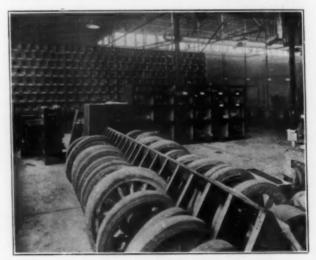
delays that might otherwise result. A sufficient number of emergency trucks are always available to guard against delay in filling in. The efficient work done in this manner has made many converts,

For the purpose of doing missionary work among the skeptical a cartage division was instituted. This consists of a dozen or more heavy duty and light delivery trucks that are rented out by the day to concerns, who find their facilities are inadequate to handle the business at times. This feature has proved very popular. It provides a practical demonstration of just what a truck can accomplish in the line served, and has, perhaps, done more to popularize motor trucks than any other single agency. So heavy are the demands that at times it is difficult to meet them all, even with the extensive equipment carried. Charges are based on the capacity of the truck and nature of the work, the flat rate including driver, machine, maintenance and all other charges.

To further demonstrate the possibilities in this direction, an interurban cartage line is conducted between Detroit and Wyandotte, 15 miles down the Detroit river. A truck makes two round trips daily, averaging something over 60 miles. Occasionally when there is an exceptional rush, it makes a third trip. Parcels are picked up at both ends of the line and along the way, and the service has proved financially profitable, as well as providing a valuable object lesson.

The general principle underlying the conduct of this service station is that of co-operation with the owner of a motor truck and the operator. The interests of the drivers are looked after carefully. Washrooms, shower-baths and individual lockers for the use of men, when they come in off the road, are provided. There is also a reading room, with lockers for street clothes. The latest magazines, trade publications, and even some of the most recent novels, are kept here for the use of the men, who are given access to this part of the institution gratis. Technical works are theirs to read for the asking, and they are not slow to improve the opportunity.

All magazines of interest are started with the manager and sent through the various office employees' hands, the superintendent and both foremen. A form is attached to each magazine, the time allotted to each man being specified, and he being required to check in and out. After the second fore-



Part of the Supply Department in the GMC Garage Here parts of every truck ever turned out by the company, are kept



Trucks Stalled in GMC Service Station

Looking down one aisle in General Motors Company's service station, Detroit, showing lighting, ventilating and heating system, numbering plan, fire extinguishers, hot and cold water faucets and electric light plug on each column

man has seen it the magazine reverts to the office, where it is checked and turned over to the drivers' room, where there is a table and a circulating library of technical reading of no mean proportions. In this manner the maximum good is derived from every publication reaching the station.

By means of an ingeniously devised system of checks every detail of the business is a matter of record. When a machine comes in at night the time of arrival is noted on a tag, which is then fastened to the truck. On this is also shown the hours of service, mileage, quantity of each kind of oil supplied, and



The Supply Department or Cage in the C.M.C. Garage
The superintendent's office is shown in the center, with the parts boxes on
either side. The gasoline and oil supply room is on the right

other data. When the truck leaves in the morning the tag is picked up, the time of departure entered, and the records are turned over to the accounting department. The lower half of the tag is a repair work order from which the mechanics work, this being filled out by the driver, with the nature of the trouble clearly specified.

On another blank is entered all the above data, together with a list of parts used and the time spent on the truck. This is made in duplicate, one slip going to the owner each day, the other to the bookkeeping department, where it is entered with

the rental charges on a statement sent to the owner monthly. As a result of this double system of checking, arguments over charges rarely occur.

As will be seen by a study of the accompanying floor plan, the building is arranged to provide maximum efficiency. Oil and gasoline are taken on when a truck enters the station. The reason for this lies in the fact that they begin arriving the middle of the afternoon, and string along until late at night, making it an easy matter for each to take on supplies. In the morning they all leave at about the same time, and the congestion that would result if they had to await their turn to get gasoline and oil is done away with, it being possible to empty the station in a few minutes. Special attention has been paid to lighting at night, as a large part of the service work is done after 6 o'clock. After due investigation it was decided to use the Holoplane lighting system, which has the advantage of distributing the light equally without undue glare. As a result, the entire station is as bright at night as during the day.

"While considering the question of service too much stress cannot be laid on the importance of intelligently driving and caring for motor trucks," says J. C. Ayers, manager of the General Motors Company Detroit branch. "There is no economy in cheap drivers or inattention to trucks. Those giving the finest service day in and out, in all kinds of weather, with all sorts of loads, are trucks that are cared for as well as high-priced horses. In any of the important centers you will find that the companies who are getting the greatest satisfaction are those who give their trucks the most intelligent care and attention. Ask any of them what their equipment has meant to them, and the lessons they have learned. Invariably they will tell you, first, get the proper trucks, put the right man in the driver's seat and give the right attention to the truck. Then it will pay big interest on the transportation investment."



IT WAS EVER THUS.

From the same flower, the bee extracts honey and the wasp gall. From the same truck, the wise user extracts service and the novice,—repair bills.







As in former years the Chicago Show was the largest and most representative of the country. The commercial show was unusually good, largely attended, and a desire for serious investigation was evident on the part of the crowd. Some twenty-two makers who did not exhibit in the East were represented.

The absence of freaks was very noticeable. As in the New York Show bodies for various purposes were a feature. The newest and most novel of these which were not shown at New York are briefly described in the following pages. Changes in chassis designs were not numerous or radical, although worm drives were not only exhibited on more trucks, but were shown by several parts makers. Internal gear drives and individual dog or lug clutch type change speed mechanisms are growing in numbers.

NATCO NEW ONE AND A HALF TON MODEL

To the Natco one-ton chassis, first brought out by the National Motor Truck Company, Bay City, Mich., a 1½-ton type, built upon practically the same chassis, has been added, the new car being exhibited at Chicago for the first time. Natco trucks of greater carrying capacities are also being designed, and will be brought out in the near future. The design of one-ton model has been so well worked out, and has proven so successful in service that doubtless its lines will be incorporated in the larger machines. This small car is built with a 3½ x 5 in. four-cylinder motor, ignited by a U. & H. high tension magneto. A cone clutch and a three-speed selectively operated

gear set are provided, both the transmission shafts and the countershafts being carried on F. & S. heavy duty annular ball bearings, and has a double side chain drive with the driving chains enclosed in pressed steel cases. The wheel bearings are Timken rollers. Tire equipment consists of 36 x 3½ in. Q. D. solids front and rear. The machine measures 14 ft. over all and has an 8 ft. loading platform. The wheel base is 104 in., and the chassis weighs 2700 lbs. This short wheel base has been made possible by placing the motor under the seat and incorporating the radiator in the dash. Left side drive is employed with the control levers in the center. The chassis, complete, with upholstered driver's seat, and the usual equipment, lists at \$1925.

NEW UNITED STATES TWO-TON MODEL

United States Motor Truck Company, of Cincinnati, O., exhibited at Chicago an entirely new two-ton truck, and also a three-ton model which is a continuation of last year's line. This company also makes a 1½-ton model, which was not shown. The new truck is similar in general design to the 3-ton model, but has several changes. The chief of these is the new brake construction on the jack shaft. These are of contracting type, the bands being pivoted at the bottom and drawn together at the top. They are double-acting and spring release, so that they do not drag. The contact surfaces are Raybestos against steel. Brake support arm is so arranged that it can be used on either side of the car. This is also true of the brake parts, there being no rights or lefts. By removing a



pin at the lower side and a nut at the top the brakes can be instantly taken off. The rear axle in the new two-ton model is also different, Timken construction being used in the threeton, while in this car 23/4 in. diameter, heat treated vanadium axle is used.

The engine, although of Continental manufacture, is cast en bloc, cylinders being 41/2 x 51/4 in., while the larger car has cylinders cast in pairs. The general arrangement consists of engine under the hood at the front, shaft drive to the transmission jack shaft, which provides three speeds forward and one reverse, of sliding gear type, side chains to the rear wheels. The clutch is of cone type, but differs somewhat from the usual practice. The steel cone is smooth, while the ring with which it engages is fined with diagonally placed strips of Raybestos with spaces between, making it chiefly self-cleaning. The brake evener or equalizer is also somewhat novel, although used by this company for several years. It consists of a small bevel pinion working between two bevel sectors, very much like a differential. The lamp brackets on the dash are also new, the lamp being mounted on a bracket pivoted, the upper and lower portions being held in position by coil springs, giving a slight freedom of motion to the lamp and relieving it of all jar and vibration, so that the lamps do not fall to pieces, as has been the case on a good many trucks. The sub-frame on which the engine rests is flexibly mounted. the forward end being carried at each side on very short, stiff coil springs, while the rear end has a spherical seat on a cross frame member. The transmission jack shaft assembly is also three point mounted, all three of these supports hav-

ing spherical seats. The outer ends of the jack shaft housing are mounted in castings at the under side of frame, while the forward end of the transmission case is similarly mounted in a cross frame member, giving a flexible three point support. The outboard bearings of the jack shaft are mounted in self-aligning S. K. F. bearings, which allow more or less freedom of motion of the jack shaft, caring for any misalignment due to the weaving of the frame while in action. Wheelbase is 132 in. Front wheels are 35 x 3½ in., demountable tires. Rear wheels 37 in., fitted with 3½ in. dual demountable tires.

The new two-ton chassis sells for \$2800; the large truck for \$3500.

LITTLE GIANT LINE INCLUDES NEW MODEL

The line of light delivery wagons built by the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company, Chicago, Ill., has been increased by the addition of a new car, of 1½ tons capacity, known as Model "H," while Model "F" has been improved by the adoption of a three-speed selective type of gear set and the lengthening of the wheelbase to 110 in. The Model "D" remains practically the same as last year. Both the smaller models, "F" and "D" are powered with a two-cylinder opposed horizontal motor of 5 in. bore by 4 in. stroke, mounted directly below the floor boards and driver's seat, the radiator taking the place of the dash. Cooling is by thermo-syphon circulation, while the essentials of carburetion and ignition are taken care of by a Schebler carburetor and a Splitdorf magneto, dry cells

being provided for starting. The motor is rated at 18-20 h. p., and on the Model "D," drive is through a multiple disc clutch and planetary gear set to a jack shaft and by side chains to the driving wheels. On the Models "F" and "H" a three-speed selective gear-set is fitted, while the Model "H" has a four-cylinder vertical power plant, the remainder of the design of this new addition to the Little Giant line being characterized by practically the same features as have been responsible for the success of its predecessors built by this concern, especially for rapid light delivery service.

TWO ADDITIONAL OLD RELIABLE MODELS

The Old Reliable Motor Truck Company, of Chicago, Ill., exhibited at Chicago its four and five-ton trucks which are virtually the same as last year. Two new models, however, have been added to the line, these being of two and three tons capacity respectively. These are of the same general design as the larger models, but of lighter construction. The four cylinder Wisconsin motors are used throughout, with special crank shafts and bearings. A special centrifugal governor, operated from the transmission, is supplied on all models. This governor is a special patent of the company's, and operates only on the direct drive, allowing the driver free use of the engine up to this point, but effectually preventing him from over-speeding while in high gear. A novel feature is a Kline Old Reliable eccentric brake, this being an eccentric action to tighten the contracting bands on the jack shaft brakes. A three-speed sliding gear transmission jack shaft is employed, and side chains to the rear wheels. A multiple disc clutch, operating in oil, is housed in the flywheel. All models have the engine under the floor board, with raised seat and cab effect. Radiators are spring suspended, carried in a separate steel frame with special rubber belting

interposed between radiator proper and this frame. The chassis prices are as follows: two-ton, \$2750, and three-ton, \$3400.

THE TWO-CYCLE FIFTEEN HUNDRED POUND MOORE TRUCK

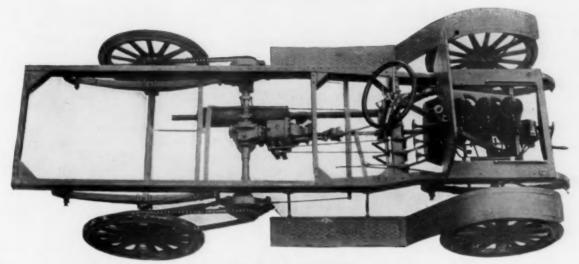
Palmer-Moore Company, of Syracuse, N. Y., exhibited at Chicago their 1500 lb. truck with the low, medium and highspeed two-cycle Moore motor. There are several novel features in the construction this year which were not shown before. In general layout, however, the arrangement is practically the same as last year, namely, three-cylinder, air-cooled, two-cycle Moore motor at the front, under hood, steering wheel at the right, control levers at the center. The twospeed planetary transmission of special design is mounted as a part of the jack shaft assembly, and drive is from this point to the rear wheels by side roller chains. The jack shaft transmission assembly is three point suspended, one point at the front of the transmission to a pressed steel cross frame member, and two points, one at each end of the jack shaft, which is mounted on special cast bronze brackets riveted to the side frame members. The service brakes are fabric-faced contracting bands, operated by pedal through an evener the full width of the frame. A connecting mechanism prevents a careless driver from putting in more than one speed at once, thus protecting the transmission. The emergency brakes are of expanding shoe type, operated by the center brake lever through full frame width equalizers, and are housed in drums and fully protected from dust and dirt.

The Two-Cycle Motor

The Moore two-cycle air cooled motor has been in use for several years. A novel feature, however, has been added this year, giving a very flexible control. This consists of shuttle



The Moore truck is here shown fitted with covered, flare-board express body. Hood is of the French type, with screen at front to admit air. Brake drums of generous size are used on the jack shaft, brakes fitted with equalizers. The wood artillery wheels are fitted with solid tires



Top View, Moore Chassis

The three-cylinder variable port two-cycle motor is air-cooled and located forward of the dash, with magneto placed transversely in front. Drive is from the right, with levers in the center. The frame is strengthened by cross-members, with gusset plates

valves, controlling simultaneously the intake exhaust and bypass. All portions consist of a series of holes which are successively covered by the bronze shuttle valves which are interconnected and moved by hand throttle. By means of these the
motor speed, it is claimed, can be controlled at any desired
point, making it as flexible as the four cycle. Lubrication is obtained by mixing the oil with the gasoline. The drive from
the engine to the transmission jack shaft is through a short
squared shaft fitted with two Spicer joints. The flywheel acts
as a fan. Ignition is by Bosch magneto, with a spark fixed.
The carburetor is also set, that is, left wide open. A priming
device is supplied on the dash, the hand control on the wheel,
however, operating the shuttle valves before mentioned.

The frame is of heavy pressed steel, channel section. Springs are semi-elliptic front and rear, rear fastened to malleable hangers, their forward ends being shackled. The rear ends and front springs are shackled, and mounted on top of the axles on integral saddles. Adjustable radius rods on vertical pivots on the rear axle and fitted with two motions at the forward end allow for all relative movements between the axle and frame and maintain the distance.

The chassis weight complete is 2300 lbs. Wheelbase is 102 in., length over all 156 in. Front tires are $36 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ in., and rear 36×3 in. The chassis price is \$1300. The bodies are extra, 82×45 in. being available for loading space.

DAYTON STEEL WHEELS

Dayton Steel Foundry Company, Dayton, O., exhibited at Chicago show their new cast steel truck wheel, a feature of which is the light section of the spokes, rims, etc. These spokes are light in section, but of such a shape that they resist the strains and are extremely strong, only six spokes being required for each wheel. Each spoke runs radially toward the rim for about half its length, and then branches into a Y-shape, the two ends of the Y_in the rim and its base in the hub. The rim itself is channel section in shape, the side flanges forming a surface through which the rims which hold the tires can be bolted. These wheels are practically the same weight when finished as wood wheels of the same diameter.



General View of the Annex to the Coliseum

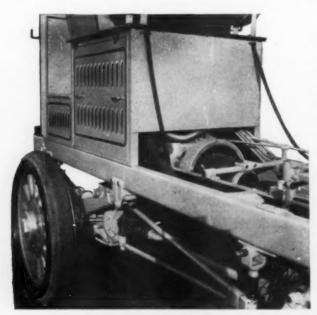


Dayton Cast-Steel Wheel

THE FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE EXHIBIT

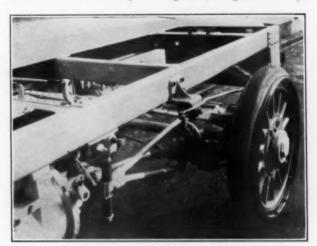
One of the most distinctive newcomers at the Chicago Show, and which attracted considerable attention from both truck engineers and users, was the Four-Wheel Drive truck, made by the Four-Wheel Drive Auto Company, of Clintonville, Wis. This outfit is one of the latest solutions of the problem of applying power to all four wheels, and it is unique in having as part of its transmission no less than three differentials, by means of which the distribution of the power is equalized, both between the two driving axles, front and rear, and between the individual wheels on the axles. The gear-set or transmission proper is located in the conventional position in the center of the chassis back of the motor. It is of the jawclutch type, with broad-faced gears always in mesh, and gives three speeds forward and reverse. But the drive, instead of being to a jack shaft or propeller shaft is taken by a heavy silent chain off to the left side of the car, the driven sprocket being attached to the periphery of the differential housing. This differential and the silent chain drive are encased integral with the gear-set itself. The makers term this the "subtransmission.

The purpose of this differential is to equalize the distribution of the power to the two axles, propeller shafts extending aft and forward to differentials on the axles themselves. Both of these axles are of the full floating type, and only differ from standard members of this class in having the driving gear and differential closer to the left side wheel than customary. The application of power to the front wheels is made possible by the employment of patented ball and socket steering joints, which enclose a special form of universal, permitting the wheels to drive in either a straight line or at an angle, as in rounding corners. The construction of this combination steering power applying joint is unusually wellworked out, and doubtless responsible, to a large extent, for the success of the F. W. D. trucks in service. The center of the universal joint is in exact line with the center of the steering pivot, thus avoiding undue stresses.



Four-Wheel Drive Truck, Front End Showing the driving shaft and spring arrangement

Two chasses are listed, the Model "G," 1½-ton capacity truck, and the Model "B," three-ton. In the former case, the power plant is a four-cylinder 4½ x 5 in. T-head motor, rated at 28.9 h. p., and in the latter, a 4¾ x 5½ in. unit, rated at 36.1 h. p. These motors are of the Wisconsin make, having pump pressure force-feed circulating oiling system, through hollow crank-shaft, centrifugal cooling circulation, enclosed valve mechanism and dual independent ignition, using a Bosch high



Four-Wheel Drive Truck, Rear End Showing driving shaft, rear axle construction, and torsion arm

tension magneto and a battery and coil equipment. A ball type of governor, located in the crankcase, keeps the motor speed down to 1000 r. p. m. The motor is located under the driver's seat, access to it being through the usual removable side panels of the motor compartment. The lower half and the front end of the crank are made removable to facilitate inspection and repair. The radiator is of the honeycomb type and is carried on trunnions and is mounted as to be easily removable.

The first step in the transmission of the power is a Hele-Shaw multiple disc clutch running in oil. It is so mounted as to be readily removable without disturbing either the motor or the transmission. Passing the latter member, which has already been described, it will be noted that the service brakes for both sets of driving wheels are located on the propeller shafts close to the main differential, and a further novelty of their construction is to be noted in the fact that the brake drums are secured to the universal joints on these shafts. Application is by means of the usual pedal, and as an equalizing bar is provided, the braking effort is distributed equally over all four wheels. These brakes are of the external contracting type, and in addition there are the usual driving wheel brakes in drums on the rear wheels. They are of the internal expanding type and are operated by a hand lever. It is claimed that the truck can be stopped in practically its own length by the use of the service brakes alone, so effectively is the braking effort applied to all four driving wheels simultaneously. The rear axle is reinforced, two truss rods being placed on its upper side and one below it.

The frame is a 5 in. pressed steel channel of a uniform width of 3 ft., measuring 16 ft. 8 in. over all, the wheel base of the smaller model being 124 in. and the larger 125 in. The former has a turning radius of 46 feet, and the latter of 46½ ft. On standard chassis of both capacities, a loading plat-

form of 136 in. is available, the F. W. D. trucks also being built with specially long chassis for lumber hauling and similar service requiring an extra long truck. The frame is carried on semi-elliptic springs forward and a platform suspension at the rear. A screw and nut type steering gear is employed, control being of the conventional form. One of the features of the spring equipment is that they are so placed as to act as a three-point suspension. The load distribution is unusual in that there is only 10 per cent. more of the weight at the rear than at the front. The 1½-ton chassis lists at \$3600 and the 3-ton at \$4000.

Thirty-six in. artillery wheels are employed front and rear on both models, the gear ratio giving a maximum speed of 16 m. p. h. for the smaller size, and 14 miles for the larger. As power is applied to all four wheels, the tire equipment is the same throughout, consisting of 36 x 4 in. single for the 1½-ton chassis, and 36 x 5 or 6 in. single for the three-ton.

THE HARDER EXHIBIT

Harder Auto Truck Company, Chicago, Ill. The line of trucks built by this company ranges from a one and a half tons capacity up to 5 tons, and including a standard two ton, special two-ton and a three-ton. They are unique in being the product of a concern that entered this field after having had several years' experience with trucks of other makes in the transportation service of a storage warehouse, Charles C. Harder, president of the truck building company also being the chief executive of the storage and van company that bears his name. Among the more important changes that have been made in the five-ton chassis since it was exhibited at the Chicago Show last year, are the adoption of an unusually long stroke 50 h. p. motor, having a bore of 434 in. and a stroke of 7 in., instead of the 5 x 6 in. motor; the use of a four speed gear set instead of the three-speed type formerly employed, and the employment of heavier driving chains. While all the models of the Harder trucks thus far built have been of the motor-under-the-seat type, the company has decided to build them with the motor under the hood on order.

The most important feature of the exhibit in the Coliseum annex was a Harder five-ton truck, which was one of two sold to an Australian firm. Apart from the difference in the size of the motor and the dimensions of the members, all models of the Harder trucks are designed and built along substantially the same lines. The motor of the 1½-ton size is a 4 x 4 in., the two-ton standard 4½ x 4¾ in., the two-ton special 4¾ x 5 in., the same motor also being used

on the three-ton, while the five-ton size has the unusually long stroke motor already mentioned, the power ranging from 28 h. p. in the case of the smallest to 60 h. p. in the largest. All models are fitted with three-speed selective gear sets, multiple disc clutch and double side chain drive, the foot brakes being carried in drums on the jack shaft and the emergency brakes on the rear wheels, the former being a contracting type and the latter an internal expanding form.

One of the special features of the Harder chassis construction is the equalizing traction bar at the rear. The semielliptic springs of the suspension instead of being shackled to the frame, as is customary, are attached by means of swiveling joints to a heavy cross bar of the open V form, mounted on a swiveling pin carried in a bracket riveted to the centre of the rear transverse member of the frame. The purpose of this device is to equalize the load on the springs and the driving wheels regardless of the inequalities of the road surface. When one driving wheel drops into a rut or hole the equalizing traction bar maintains the loading platform at its normal level, thus preventing the load from "listing" and being concentrated on one spring and one driving wheel. Both drivers, accordingly, have the same traction.

THE SAMPSON AND HERCULES

Maxwell Motor Company, of Detroit, Mich., exhibit as distributors, the Sampson and the new Hercules. An entirely new Hercules truck was shown at Chicago, having made its first appearance at Detroit. This is a one-ton truck. The general layout is 4-cylinder Continental engine under the hood at the front, shaft drive to Brown-Lipe transmission jack shaft and side chain drive to the rear wheels.

The motor is 334 x 51/4 in., cast en bloc, four point suspended on a sub-frame of channel iron. This motor is fitted with a governor of fly-ball type, holding it down to 1200 r. p. m. A feature of this truck is the left side drive with center control levers. The throttle and spark levers are eliminated from the steering column, there being an accelerator provided as the only control. Ignition is by Bosch high tension magneto with set spark. The operation is very simple, the driver having simply to keep his foot on the accelerator, the governor preventing over-speeding and slower speeds can be obtained by simply relieving the pressure on the accelerator pedal. Another feature is the low-hung frame which is obtained by under-slinging the rear springs, and makes the truck easy of entry and egress. A short running board is provided at each side of the driver's seat, and both sides of the truck are open so that the driver can enter at either side. Another feature is the heavy channel section radiator guard and bumper, and the radiator is spring suspended. The brakes are all on the rear wheels, the service brake being an external contracting band and the emergency brake in internal expanded shoes, both operated through steel pull rods parallel to the frame and running to a cross shaft provided with eveners.

The rear axle construction throughout is Sheldon. The adjustable radius rods are arranged to allow for all motions. The rear springs are semi-elliptic, underslung and shackled at



Chassis of the New One-Ton Hercules

both ends, the forward shackle support being integral with the outboard jack shaft hanger. The rear shackle support is a cast steel member under the frame and riveted both to the bottom web and the vertical web. The front axle is a drop forging of I-section, also Sheldon construction, the pivots being fitted with roller bearings. The wheels are 37 in. in dameter with Firestone 3½ in. tires and S. A. E. standard demountable rims. The wheelbase is 130 in. Frame is of pressed steel, top and bottom flanges of the side frame members being widened throughout the central portion. These members are narrowed at the front and braced by four channel section pressed steel cross frame members and by similar diagonally placed members at the rear corners.

The change speed gears, as before mentioned, form a part of the jack shaft assembly, are of Brown-Lipe manufacture, giving three speeds forward and one reverse, with selective operation.—The steering gear is of the Ross irreversible type.

INDIANA LINE COMPRISES THREE MODELS

While newcomers in the commercial car field, the Harwood-Barley Manufacturing Company, of Marion, Ind., which is marketing the Indiana trucks, has had a good many years' experience in manufacturing in other lines. The Indiana line consists of three models, rated at one to 11/2-ton capacity, twoton and three-ton, and in the design the company has apparently investigated the market thoroughly and selected parts that have successfully stood the test of commercial service for a number of years past. The power plant in each case is a Rutenber four-cylinder vertical L-head motor, with separately cast cylinders, the 11/2-ton car having a 4 x 4 in. motor, the two-ton a 41/8 x 51/4 in., and the three-ton a 43/4 x 5 in. motor. The clutch on all models is a Hele-Shaw multiple disc, running in oil, driving through a Covert vertical type three-speed selectively operated gear-set. This form of gear-set is particularly advantageous for truck use, as by the removal of a side plate in the housing, access is readily had to all parts of the transmission without the necessity of disturbing the body or providing a trap in the floor to get at this essential. The shafts of the gear-set are mounted on Timken roller bearings. A full floating type of jack shaft is employed, the driving shafts being of vanadium steel, 15% in, in diameter. At the differential end the shafts are square, carrying flanges at their outer ends to which the sprockets are bolted. The differential is provided with a locking device, which operates only on the

low or reverse speeds, and automatically releases with the shifting of the gears to a higher speed. A universal is interposed between the multiple disc clutch and the gear set, the propeller shaft being nickel steel 1 7-16 in diameter on all models.

Suspension is of the semi-elliptic, with an auxiliary transverse spring at the rear. Artillery type wheels are employed, 34 x 3½ and 4 infront and rear, solids being fitted on the 1½-ton size, 36 x 4 in single solid front and 36 x 3½ in dual rear, on the two ton, and 36 x 4½ in single front with 40 x 4 in dual on the rear of the three ton. Pneumatics are fitted at an extra charge

on the small truck. The wheelbases are 135, 144 and 160 in. respectively, while the chasses weigh 3320, 4500 and 6000 lbs. They list at \$2000, \$2500 and \$3200, with the usual equipment of oil lamps, jack and tools. The standard types of body offered on the two larger sizes are the flare board express style or the stake type, giving a loading platform 10½ ft. long on the two-ton and 12 ft. on the three-ton, while an express body, stake type or furniture carrier, 4 ft. 2 in. to 5 ft. wide, according to type, and 9½ ft. long, is offered on the 1½-ton chassis.

A CHAPEL ON A TRUCK CHASSIS

The leading feature at the Chicago motor truck show in the way of new things was a church on a motor truck chassis so fitted out as to penetrate parts of the country where the railroad chapels do not reach. It is the first motor chapel ever built, and was purchased by the Catholic Church Extension Society, at a cost to approximate \$8500.

The body is fitted to an Alco chassis, of two tons capacity, and contains the complete paraphernalia of a church. It will be employed first in Texas, with Brownsville as the starting point.

With two priests in charge, the vehicle will be used for missionary work in those parts of the country where no churches exist as yet or are not likely for some time to be built because of insufficient number of members of the church scattered in small groups among the ranches of the South, and the poverty of the people who as yet are pioneering on the southern plains.

The chapel will be driven to little towns along the highways and settlements on the ranches where the priests will hold services among the Catholic people in their midst.

Stops of from one to two weeks will be made in each place. A tent, carried on top of the car, will be erected at each stopping place, thus accommodating as many as 200 persons, and permitting services in all kinds of weather. Stereopticon lectures will be given daily with the aid of a lantern operated electrically by the lighting system on the truck.

The plan of the Extension Society is to use the vehicle not only as an altar for worship, but also for living and sleeping quarters for the traveling priests, a compartment being given over for the latter purpose. The living room is fitted with a cabinet for the personal effects of two persons, lockers



Two Views of the "Chapel on Wheels"

The outfit includes complete altar arrangements: also folding organ, desk and sleeping compartments

for folding cots and bed clothes, drawers for books, stationery, typewriter, cooking utensils and table ware, and for a light supply of provisions.

Another oak cabinet is built in one side of the interior. It contains sections for towels, lavatory and drinking water supplies, a medicine cabinet and a drop-door arrangement to serve as a combination wash stand and typewriting desk. On the opposite side of the interior is arranged a drop leaf with adjustable metal brackets to serve as a general writing desk and table.

The car is known as the Motor Chapel St. Peter. It is of the collapsible type, and when folded in it is no larger than the body of a standard two-ton chassis. When opened it presents almost double the floor space. The exterior construction discloses at a glance the nature of the purpose.

In the ecclesiastical equipment are included a folding confessional and a folding organ, as well as a folding rack fitted with large tubular bells for outside use and a small chime for use at the altar. The body of the car has a length over all of 21 ft., is 6 ft. 9 in. in width and 11 ft. 5 in. in height from the ground to the top of the car.

MERCURY LINE SHOWS LITTLE CHANGE

The Mercury Manufacturing Company, of Chicago, exhibited the Mercury truck chassis, also an express and two panel jobs. The mechanism is practically the same as it has been for nearly three years, in fact, since the first car was laid out. No changes of any importance have been found necessary. The company, however, is offering this season, as an option, Remy magneto in place of the non-vibrating coil jump-spark ignition formerly used. The express body cars are not fitted with fenders as standard equipment, but on the panel jobs fenders are supplied this year as regular equipment. The colors have been changed and the chassis is now red, with green body as standard. Factory equipment has been increased and the company is now manufacturing all of its own parts.

The prices are as follows: Express, \$750; converse panel body, \$850; with wood panel body, \$875; full enclosed body, \$900.

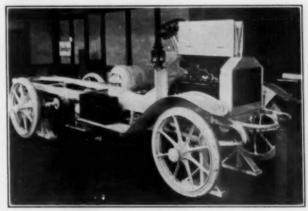
NEW TWO-TON ADAMS MODEL

The Adams Brothers Company, of Findlay, O., exhibited at Chicago their well-known one-ton model and 11/2-ton models, and also an entirely new model of two-ton capacity. This vehicle has the same general chassis arrangement of the smaller cars, and sells for \$2500 for the chassis. This car is made only in 140 in. wheelbase. It is fitted with 36 x 4 in. front and 36 x 31/2 in. dual rear tires. The general layout is the four cylinder en bloc Adams engine at the front under a Renault type of hood, with the radiator of the vertical tube type virtually forming the front of the dash, this construction being typical of the Adams trucks. The driver's seat has an unusually high back, well upholstered, is wide, and a cab with disappearing side windows and back window, and window front which can be raised and fastened to the roof is provided to give protection for the driver. Drive is through horizontal shafts with Spicer universal joint at the forward end, to a three-speed and reverse sliding gear transmission jack shaft. This is fitted with two contracting band brakes on

the inside of the frame, operated by pedal through single-tree type equalizers. Steering wheel is at the left and control levers at the center. Drive to the rear wheels is by side roller chain. Springs, front and rear, are semi-elliptic. Rear springs shackled at both ends to cast steel brackets at the rear and to a combination jack shaft hanger and shackle bracket at the front. Front springs are shackled at the rear only. Steering gear is of Ross manufacture. Frame is a pressed steel construction, 7-32 in. metal stiffened by five cross frame members, the engine being carried on a frame also of channel section pressed steel. The distance from the back of the seat to the end of the frame is 124 in., giving about 111/2 ft. available space for loading. The body width can be whatever is desired, as the platform is above the wheels. There are several standard bodies which can be supplied if desired, but bodies to specifications can be had to suit the purchaser. Ignition is by Bosch dual high tension system. The carburetor is Schebler.

HARVEY AMONG THE NEWCOMERS

The Harvey Motor Truck Works, Harvey, Ill., is making its initial bow with a 1½-ton chassis, to the building of which the entire efforts of the organization are being devoted at present. In its design the Harvey follows generally accepted lines for vehicles of this class, employing a four-cylinder L-



Harvey One and a Half Ton Chassis

head motor and three-speed selectively operated gear-set, with final drive by side chains. One of the features in which it differs from cars of moderate load capacity is the employment of cast steel wheels, for which all the good points of wood artillery wheels are claimed, in addition to the advantage of much greater strength, which is a point of considerable value on any commercial car.

MOON NEW THREE THOUSAND POUND TRUCK

The Joseph W. Moon Buggy Company, of St. Louis, had on view at Chicago a new 3000 lb. commercial car, this being the first commercial car built by this company. They are also making a smaller 1000 lb. pneumatic tired truck, known as Model A, which, however, was not shown. The car shown was of the express type, with a top and cab over the driver's seat. This cab is fitted with side curtains, and a storm front with celluloid window, completely protecting the driver.

The features of the layout are as follows: The engine is a four-cylinder Continental, C type, 3¾ x 5¼ in. under the hood at the front, mounted on four integral crank case arms on the main frame. The clutch is a leather-faced cone. Drive is by shaft fitted with two Hartford universal joints to a three-speed sliding gear transmission jack shaft. The outer ends of this jack shaft are carried in brackets under the frame and fitted with pressed steel drums acting as service brakes, these being of expanding type. Large emergency brakes, also expanding type, fabric-faced, operate on cast drums on the rear wheels.

The steering wheel is at the left, with the control levers at the center. Spark and throttle levers are supplied on the steering wheel. The transmission jackshaft gives three speeds forward and one reverse with selective operation, and is made by the Muncie Gear Works. The frame is of pressed steel, side members narrowed at the front, the forward ends forming spring horns to which the front semi-elliptic springs are attached. The rear ends are shackled. The rear springs are also semi-elliptic, shackled at both ends, the chain distance being maintained by an adjustable cast radius rod. A cross inverted semi-elliptic auxiliary spring is also supplied at the rear, attached to a cross frame member of pressed steel, reinforced with an oak block.

Ignition is by Remy magneto. Cooling by centrifugal pump, and oiling by gear pump. Wheelbase is 125 in., tread 57 in. The front axle is $2\frac{1}{2}$ % x $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. I-section, rear, $2\frac{3}{4}$ x $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. rectangular. The wheels are mounted on ball-bearings, fronts fitted with 36 x $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. solid tires, and the rear with cellular tires 36 x 4 in. The road clearance is 15 in.

This vehicle sells with or without bodies as desired, the chassis price being \$1750. Bodies of various types can be had at prices according to the specifications.

BUFFALO ELECTRIC TWO THOUSAND POUND TRUCK

The Buffalo Electric Vehicle Company, of Buffalo, N. Y., exhibited at Chicago a chassis of the Buffalo Electric Company 2000-lbs. light duty truck, with direct shaft drive, with double reduction. A G. E. motor is mounted, or rather hung, in a novel manner, under the center of the frame with its housing bolted directly to an intermediate housing between it and the rear axle. The motor housing itself is surrounded by a band with horizontal trunnions at each side, these being supported on vertical arms from a tubular cross frame member. The upper ends of these arms are not only free to swing on the tubular member mentioned, but are also given a slight lateral freedom, each one being held in position by coiled springs at each side. This supports the motor, yet allows the necessary freedom of motion due to relative motions between the frame and the axle. The drive is of the usual bevel gear type, and radius rods are used at each end of the axle. Springs are semi-elliptic and shackled at each end. Front springs are also semi-elliptic, shackled at the rear only. Large drums on the rear wheels carry internal expanding and external contracting band brakes, fabric faced. These are operated through eveners by pedals at the

front, the steering wheel and controls being at the left. The steering column is braced at the top to the upper part of dash by triangular castings. The steering gear is of Gemmer irreversible type; controller is of General Electric Company's manufacture, and the battery consists of 44 cells of 15 plate, Philadelphia, underslung at the center of the chassis. Edison



Showing method of hanging motor from center frame. The motor housing is bolted directly to an intermediate housing between it and the frame

batteries can be had at extra cost. Fifty miles per charge is guaranteed. Wheelbase is 102 in.; tires 36 x 3½ in. Chassis sells for \$2200, with lead batteries.

This chassis was also exhibited with a panel body, this outfit being \$2600.

WALKER VERY LITTLE CHANGED

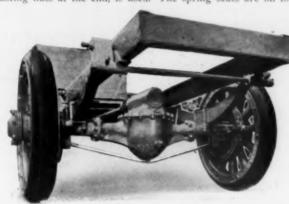
The Walker, made by the Walker Vehicle Company, of Chicago, Ill., is a special type of electric commercial car, with patent balanced drive that has been on the market in successful service for a number of years, and shows few changes in its design. The electric motor is hung in the rear axle and is entirely encased. The driving shafts are extensions of the armature shaft of the motor, terminating at each end in a small pinion, which meshes with two gears. These gears in turn engage an internal gear bolted to the inner periphery of the driving wheel, making an extremely compact motor unit and transmission that has the great advantage of always being in exact line with its drive. The Walker electrics are made in a large range of sizes, from 750 lbs. carrying capacity up to 7000 lbs., and they have the distinction of being employed to a greater extent by one Chicago firm than probably any other single make. This is the house of Marshall Field & Co., which has 107 Walker electrics either in service or on order, the vehicles employed by this firm covering the entire range just mentioned. In addition to this line of models a new type was brought out during the past year and shown for the first time at the Chicago commercial show. This is a 1000 lb. parcel delivery wagon, having half of the battery carried in front and the other half either in or under the body, according to the requirements of the user.

Keep thy trucks and thy trucks will keep thee

DIAMOND T ONE-TON WORM DRIVE

Diamond T Motor Car Company, of Chicago, showed for the first time at Chicago an entirely new, one-ton worm-driven truck. This has an overload capacity of 1000 lbs., and sells for \$2250. The principal feature is the use of the new Timken worm-driven rear axle unit using the well-known English-Brown worm and worm wheel. The worm, as usual in truck practice, is on top, giving a straight line drive for the propeller shaft, which is fitted with two Spicer universal joints.

This assembly is of full floating type, with cast steel housings at the outer ends enclosing the floating shafts, while the center housing of the worm and worm wheel is manganese bronze, giving a very rigid construction. The central housing is flanged to match flanges on the end housings, and the parts are then bolted together. A liberal sized truss rod, with adjusting nuts at the end, is used. The spring seats are on top



Rear of Diamond T Chassis Showing the David-Brown worm drive

and integral with the housing. Semi-elliptic springs are shackled at the rear to a cross bar carried in supports riveted to the lower frame flange. There are two sets of fabric-faced brakes, the inner being of expanding band type and the outer of the contract band type, operated on a 17 in. pressed steel drum of 3 in. face. The brakes are not enclosed. Short shafts are mounted on the axle housing at the front and parallel to the axle, the outer ends carrying the expanders for the brakes. At the inner end of these shafts are arms with steel pull rods to a cross shaft at the rear of the seat, and with a connection to the brake pedal and center brake lever. The other brake rods are outside the frame. No eveners are used. The drive and torque is through the springs, there being no rods.

The power plant consists of a unit assembly, using the 4-cylinder Continental engine under the hood at the front. The cylinders are $4\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ in., cast en bloc. All valves are enclosed. Ignition is by Bosch high tension magneto with fixed spark. It is mounted on four integral arms of the crank case directly on the frame. The clutch is of Raybestos faced multiple disc type, operating dry. A three-speed selective operated change gear mechanism is carried in the housing, bolted to the engine case. Control levers are at the center, with the wheel at the right, with an option of having it at the left.

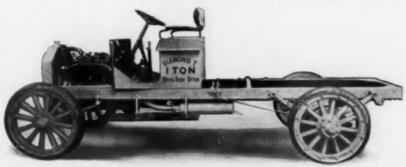
Front axle is I-section Timken construction; wheels mounted on Timken roller bearings throughout. Frame is a pressed steel construction 5 in. maximum depth, ½ in. material, side members being straight and gusseted at the corners. There are four channel section pressed steel cross frame members.

The steering gear is Gemmer, worm and full worm wheel. There are no spark or throttle levers on the wheel, the spark being fixed, while the carburetor control is entirely by foot accelerator. Car is easy of access from either side. The loading space on the chassis shown is 9 ft. 6 in., and the body width can be whatever desired if bolsters bringing it above the wheels are used. The front tires are 36 x 3½ in. solid and the rear 36 x 5. Motor governor can be had at \$25 extra. Bodies are also extra. The liberal use of grease cups throughout the construction is noticeable. The weight is approximately 4000 lbs.

The equipment includes oil, side and tail lamps, full kit of tools and jack,

COMMERCE WITH FRICTION TRANSMISSION

Experience has demonstrated that the friction type of transmission is a success on light and medium weight vehicles, and advantage has been taken of this fact to simplify that essential of the line of light commercial cars being placed on the market by the Commerce Motor Car Company, of Detroit, Mich., which is a comparatively recent addition to Detroit's constantly growing list of manufacturers. Four models are listed, three of which, the Models "A," "C" and "H" are ot the 1000 lb. delivery wagon type, and the fourth, Model "K," is a 1250 lb. capacity light truck. The last-named is a new addition to the line. It is equipped with a four-cylinder vertical 3 x 41/2 in. L-head block-cast Northway motor, rated at 20 h. p. The motor accessories are a Bosch high tension magneto, operating at fixed sparking position, Lavigne force-feed oiler and a Schebler carburetor. As in the earlier 1/2-ton models, drive is by friction disc and wheel through a single chain to the rear axle, the disc shaft being attached to the flywheel of the motor by a flexible coupling to reduce the starting stress. The forward axle is of the tubular type, with a liberal drop in the center, while the suspension consists of four semi-elliptic springs hung on swinging schackles; wheelbase is 102 in. Frame of pressed steel construction, heavily braced and reinforced. Twelve-spoke artillery wheels, running on large ball bearings forward are equipped with either 32 x 31/2 in. Goodyear pneumatics, or 34 x 21/2 Goodyear-Motz truck solids, at the option of the purchaser. The steering gear is a worm and split-nut type, double buffer springs being em-



The Diamond T One-Ton Chassis

ployed in the connections. Drive is at the left, with the usual single lever control of the friction transmission. The list price of the chassis is \$875, including three combination oil and electric lamps, wind shield, electric horn, Willard L. B. A. storage battery, pump, tools and tire repair kit, where pneumatics are employed. Open express bodies are supplied for this chassis at \$75; full panel type with rear door or end gate \$100, also stake bodies with canopy top and full side curtains at \$100.

The 1000 lb. chassis is also equipped with a 20 h. p. motor and lists at \$750; with express body it sells at \$800, and with either a full panel or a stake body, with canopy top, it sells at \$875.

THE CLARK ONE AND A HALF TON

The Clark Delivery Car Company, of Chicago, exhibited at Chicago Show the standard Clark chassis of 1½-tons capacity, also the same chassis fitted with a special millwork body arranged so that long pieces of lumber, interior trim, etc., can be carried on the sides, extending beside the front seat, doing away with a long overhanging load at the rear. On each side of the central portion of the body are extensions with stakes at the outer edge, these extensions running forward as far as the radiator. Beneath these on the sides are long, spacious tool boxes, which reach from front to the rear mud guards.

The changes in the Clark models are very slight, consisting principally in new rear axle assembly and a new raditaor. The radiator is of the vertical, unflanged, copper tube type, with cast aluminum ribbed head forming a tank. All the inlets and outlets are cast integral with the head or base. A novel construction for spreading the incoming water and forcing it to distribute itself uniformly through the tubes consists of an integral cast tube on the inside of the head. This is perforated throughout its length and incoming water enters it and is distributed through the perforations, giving an equal flow down through the cooling tubes. These tubes are inserted at the head and base in a similar manner to boiler tubes, being roller expanded, beaded and prossored, that is, expanding just below the bottom plate of the head, in addition to being soldered. The radiator is three point mounted on



Front End of Clark Truck

Showing the new copper tube radiator with cast aluminum head. Tubes are without flanges. A special water-distributing device is cast integral with the interior of the head.

springs at each side, and at the top center point on a vertical swivel attached to the dash, relieving it of all strains due to weaving the frame.

The new rear axle is a full floating type, Rhineland annular ball bearings used throughout. A short stiff propeller shaft housing is ball-joint mounted in a casting on a cross-frame member and from each end of the axle rods with universal joint mountings at the forward ends form a triangular structure. The rear ends are hinge-jointed to the spring seats below the springs, permitting greater flexibility than the solid ends. The drive is through the usual propeller shaft and bevel gears, using a bevel gear differential, the reduction being 62-3 to 1. A change has also been made in the brakes. Instead of internal expanding and external contracting bands on a single drum, the drum casting is now made with two concentric faces and both brakes are internal expanding on these two surfaces. With the chassis loaded the construction gives a straight line drive.

The general layout is four cylinder en bloc Wisconsin motor at the front, 30 h. p. multiple disc metal to metal clutch and three speeds and reverse sliding gear transmission, these members being mounted on a sub-frame. The engine is under the floor boards, which are slightly raised at center, giving loading space of 9 ft. back of the seat, by 5 ft. width. Price of chassis is \$2000.

MOGUL SHOWS A NEW SIX-TONNER

Mogul Motor Truck Company, Chicago, Ill. making its initial bow at the Chicago Show a year ago with a single four-ton model, this company has added a six-ton type, a number of which have been placed in service in the Windy City during the past half year. The power plant of this new comer is a Continental T-head 51/4 x 53/4 in. motor, with its cylinders cast in pairs, driving through a 14 disc dry plate clutch of the Palmeter type to a three-speed progressive gear set, the housing of which is carried on a threepoint suspension. The shafts are mounted on imported annular ball bearings and the thrust of the bevel pinion is taken on a special ball thrust bearing. The motor is located under the driver's seat, but the honeycomb radiator, which is spring mounted, may be swung outward by removing two bolts. Double ignition is provided, the high tension magneto and the battery and coil systems being independent. Final drive is by side chains from the jack shaft, both sets of brakes being placed on the driving wheels. They are placed side by side, both being of the internal expanding type in 20 in. drums of more than 7 in. face. The front axle is a Timken I-beam, fitted with Timken roller bearings on the steering spindles and wheels, while the rear axle is a solid 4 in. square of

The frame is of heavy rolled channel section steel, hot riveted and well braced by cross members and gusset plates, the frame section being 7 in. deep. Over all it measures 20 ft. 6 in., while the loading space is 14 ft. 6 in. The wheelbase is 155 in., and the artillery wheels are equipped with 36×6 in. tires forward, and 40×6 in. dual endless demountables at the rear. Semi-elliptic springs are employed at all four points of the suspension, measuring 50×4 in. in front and 56×4 in. in the rear. The majority of the Mogul trucks placed in service during the past year have been purchased either by brewers or by lumber dealers, and for the latter a special chassis of the 6-ton model is built, having a clear loading space

lumber service, are equipped with the patented roller bed. by means of which the entire load may be taken on from a dummy loading truck in a few minutes, and dumped by one man in an equally short time, without disturbing the stacking.

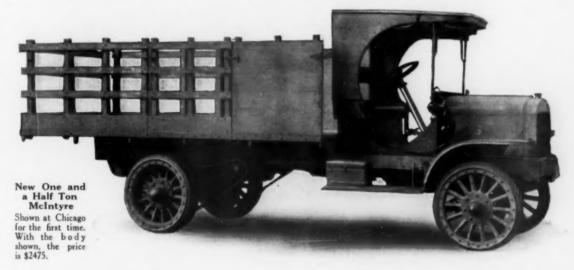
The Model O, Mogul four-ton truck has undergone practically no change since it was exhibited a year ago. It is fitted with a Continental 5 x 53/4 in. motor, and its essential features are along the same lines as the larger machine, the differences only being those of dimensions. The frame is a 6-in. channel, measuring 18 ft. 2 in. over-all, and having a loading platform slightly over 12 ft. long. The wheelbase is 142 in., and the tire equipment 36 x 6 in. front, and 40 x 5 in. dual in the rear.

McINTYRE ADDS NEW MODELS

W. H. McIntyre Company, of Auburn, Ind., exhibited at Chicago, the 11/2-ton chassis. Many changes have been made in this since last year. One of the principal changes is the use of the Continental motor instead of the Somers formerly

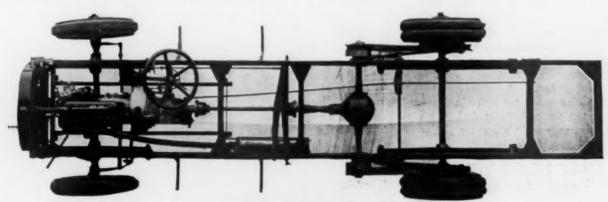
of 16 ft. This, as well as the standard size Mogul trucks for from this point to the rear wheels by side roller chains. The motor is under the hood at the front, twelve feet being available back of the driver's seat for loading space. Another change for this year is the center control levers, the wheel still being at the right. Ignition is either by Briggs or Bosch dual system. Carburetor is Stromberg. Spark and throttle controls are on quadrants on the steering column beneath the wheel. Instead of the 3/4 platform springs of last year, semielliptic springs are now used, with an inverted cross semi-elliptic spring as an auxiliary. The radiator is of vertical tube type, and this year is mounted between springs. The starting crank has been arranged to fold under.

The wheelbase is 144 in., wheels fitted with 34 x 41/2 in. front tires and 36 x 31/2 in. dual rear tires. The frame is of heavy channel section structural steel, liberally braced with cross frame members and gussets. Both brakes are on the rear wheels as in former models, and operated through fullframe-width eveners. The Ross steering gear is still used, but of larger size than formerly. The steering wheel has also been changed from 18 in. to 22 in.



used. The engine is of four cylinder en bloc type, forming with the dry multiple disc clutch and three-speed Brown-Lipe transmission a unit, supported on three points. Drive to the jack shaft is by shaft fitted with two Spicer joints and

The chassis sells for \$2300. Bodies extra according to specifications. Three new models have also been added to the line, a fifteen hundred pound, a three and a five-ton. These were not shown at Chicago.

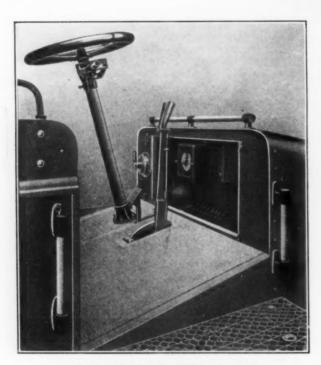


Plan of McIntyre Chassis

This truck is unusually staunch in construction for a ton and a half model. The power plant is of unit type, using the Continental four-cylinder en bloc motor 4½ x 5½, fitted with an automatic governor, which can be set at any desired engine speed, 1600 r.p.m. being recommended for this model, corresponding to about fifteen miles road speed,

URBAN ELECTRIC EXHIBIT

Kentucky Wagon Manufacturing Company, of Louisville, Ky., exhibited at Chicago its electric trucks known as the "Urban." The general description of this vehicle was published in the September, 1912, issue of the Commercial, Car Journal. The general layout is Hycap exide battery, underslung at the forward end, General Electric Company motor mounted on cross frame member, and driving forward to an under-slung jack shaft by Reynold silent chain. Side roller chains transmit the power from this point to the rear wheels. The wheel is at the left, with the brake levers of the gasoline car type at the center, and the control lever under the steering wheel on the column. A novelty in construction consists in housing the controller mechanism inside of dash. By removing a cover plate the entire mechanism is at once made accessible. The construction also adds to the appearance of the machine.



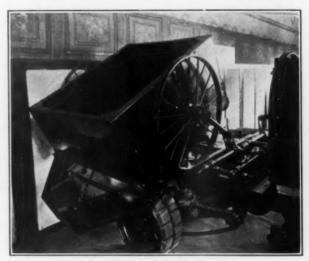
Dashboard With Cover Plate Removed
The controller mechanism is housed under the dash. The control lever
is mounted underneath the steering wheel

The rear springs are long, semi-elliptic and the shackle bolts are bushed and fitted with grease cups. The frame is of heavy pressed steel, well braced and trussed underneath the battery box.

These trucks are made in four models, 1000 lbs., one ton, two ton and 3½ ton, of which the 1000 lb., with paneled delivery body and the chassis of the two ton were shown.

LANSDEN EXHIBITED NEW DUMPING BODY

The Lansden Company, of Newark, N. J., exhibited at Chicago an entirely new and novel dumping body on their regular six-ton chassis. This vehicle has two metal hoppers or tilting bodies, each capable of holding 2½ tons of coal or 3 tons of cement or sand. Each of these bodies is mounted



Manner of Dumping Lansden Truck

on a set of iron wheels some 4 ft. in diameter. By means of a hand crank operating a worm and worm wheel, these bodies are rolled to either side of the truck, angle irons forming the track, and when the gates at the end are released they automatically dump by gravity. The feature of this truck is the fact that four of these bodies comprise the outfit. The empties can be rolled over a truck on to a specially adjustable height rack which can be fastened to a coal car or stone car. The full box can then be rolled directly on to the truck, the complete operation taking in the neighborhood of eight minutes, so that the power unit is kept constantly moving, this, as is well known, being the keynote of efficiency in the use of any motor-driven unit. The outfit was designed especially for coal handling, for cement, crushed stone, sand and contractors' materials.

AVERY COMPANY SHOWS TWO NEW MODELS

In order to market a line of trucks covering a wider range of load capacities, the Avery Company, of Peoria, Ill., showed two new models at the Chicago show, the line now comprising the Model "A" tractor, which has undergone a few minor changes since last year; the "B," three-ton, and Model "C," one-ton, both of which are new, and the Model "B," in two and five-ton sizes. The changes on the Model "A" consist of the adoption of the automatic ignition advance type of Eisemann magneto, the use of a governor on the motor, and a spring mounting for the radiator. One of the most impressive vehicles of the Avery exhibit was a Model "B" fiveton truck, with a 2500 gallon oil tank built on it. This was equipped with Ward-Leonard electric lighting system, and in addition to the usual side and rear lights, electric light was also provided in the closet at the rear housing, which is fitted with various cocks for drawing off oil.

The new Model "C" one-ton size differs from the larger sizes of the same make in having its 30 h. p., four-cylinder motor carried under a bonnet forward, instead of under the driver's seat as in the various sizes of the Model "B." The motor is of the block cast type, with 4½ x 5¼ in. cylinders.

A plunger pump feeding the oil through sight gages takes care of the lubrication, while a centrifugal pump and tubular radiator provide the cooling. The remaining motor accessories are a Rayfield carburetor and a dual system of ignition provided by a Remy magneto and storage battery. A dry plate clutch, having 14 steel discs, is employed, the alternate plates being faced with Raybestos. This drives through a three-speed and reverse selective sliding gear to a Timken

Novel Cabinet at Rear of Avery Tank Wagon The shelves above are used for cans. Note drip cans on lower doors

jack shaft, and from the latter through side chains to the rear wheels, the sprockets giving speeds of $4\frac{1}{2}$, $7\frac{3}{4}$ and 15 miles ahead.

A 5 in. steel channel frame forms the foundation of the car, and is carried on a semi-elliptic spring suspension with an auxiliary spring at the rear. The tire equipment consists of $34 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ in. front and 34×4 in. rear, both being single tires. The net weight of the chassis is 3770 lbs., and it lists at \$1690.

The Model "B" three-ton Avery, which is also a newcomer, shown for the first time at Chicago, is along substantially the same lines as the smaller machine just described, except that like the other sizes of this model, it has the power plant carried under the driver's seat. The 434 x 5 in. 45 h. p. motor is mounted on a sub-frame carried on a three-point suspension. The ignition system consists of a storage battery with Eisemann coil, and an Eisemann dual automatic spark advance high tension magneto. A Schebler carburetor takes care of the fuel supply, and it is fitted with a throttling governor, which, however, may be cut out by the hand control. The clutch is a multiple disc, having 11 steel plates running in oil, a clutch brake being provided to prevent spinning when disengaged. The motor is governed to run at 1200 r. p. m., and at this speed gives forward speeds of 4, 7 and 13 miles through a three-speed selective type gear, Timken countershaft and double side chains, of the detachable link type. The front and rear axles are both of Timken make, and Timken roller bearings are used throughout. Suspension is by semi-elliptic front, and the same type at the rear, with a heavy auxiliary cross spring. They support a 7 in. pressed

steel channel frame, measuring 16 ft. 7 in. over all, and having a loading platform 6 x 12 ft. in the clear. The tire equipment is 38 x 5 in. front and 38 x 4 in. dual rear, S. A. E. Standard demountable type. The service brakes are on the jack shaft and the emergency on the driving wheels, and are unusually liberal in dimensions, the total frictional area of both sets amounting to 475 sq. in., the service brake drums being 11½ in. diameter, of the contracting type, and the emergency 19 in. diameter, of the internal expanding type. The net weight of the chassis is 6250 lbs., and it lists at \$3200.

IDEAL FITTED WITH A NEW GEARLESS TRANSMISSION

The Ideal Auto Company, of Fort wayne, Ind., exhibited at Chicago their one and two-ton models, the two-ton being a new model this year. The general chassis arrangement is about the same as on the other car, the weights of the various parts, of course, being suited to the load capacity. The new features which attract the attention are the differential without gears. This differential is being marketed by the Wayne Auto Axle Company, of Fort Wayne, Ind. It is entirely different from anything that has heretofore been shown in the way of a differential. In place of the usual gears, metal expanding clutches, acting against metal, giving the driving forms, these running in oil. The usual sprocket or bevel gear or worm and worm wheel or any of the other forms of drive can be used, but the differential part of the center is entirely without gears, as mentioned. The arrangement is as follows: The rear axle shafts, at their inner ends, each engage a drum either by squared fit or splined fit. These two drums correspond in action to the two large bevels of the ordinary differential. In each of these drums, however, are two metallic blocks or shoe clutches, which, when expanded from the center by a cam shaft piece, attached to and driven by a large

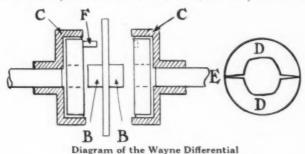


Ideal Truck Fitted With Wayne Gearless Differential

bevel gear, grip the before-mentioned drums by frictional engagement, and drive the wheels through the rear axle shafts.

The construction is briefly as follows: There is a central plate with a cam shaped hub projecting out of each side as represented in the diagram at BB. This plate with its camlike hubs is directly connected to the large bevel, if the rear axle is bevel gear driven, or to the sprocket or worm wheel, if chain or worm driven. This central plate therefore may be considered as the driving member. On each side of it are drums CC which correspond in action to the two large bevels on the ordinary bevel gear differential. Each of these has a splined hub, and drives, by means of splined ends, the two

parts of the live axle, each of which rotates one of the rear wheels of the truck at its outer end. Inside of each of these drums C are solid metal pieces DD, which can be expanded outward against the drums, by the cams DD, similar to the action of an expanding shoe brake. When the central plate is driven forward, cams BB expand clutches DD, gripping the drums BB, and forcing the shafts and wheels to rotate with the central plate. As soon as one wheel, let us say the wheel



at E, is going around the outside of a curve, as in turning a corner and begins to rotate faster than the other wheel, the drum C rotates faster than the clutch DD within it, which therefore releases the clutch, and the entire drive is taken by the other, or slower moving wheel. To prevent the clutches from moving too far backward when freed, a pin F integral with the clutch shoe on one side, and which projects through a hole in the central plate into a slot in the clutch on the opposite side of the plate, brings up against the end of that slot, preventing any further backward motion of the clutch that is free.

The entire front structure, with the raised seat over the engine, is now of steel. It was formerly wood. The vertical frame tube radiator is now spring suspended. For this year double annular New Departure ball bearings are used in the wheels and jack shaft, these being of such a size that they are interchangeable with any of the standard ball or roller bearings.

In all models the engine is under the raised seat; a cone clutch is used, and a three-speed sliding gear transmission jack shaft with drive by side roller chains to the rear wheels. The



Truck Exhibit in the Armory

General view of the truck exhibit in the Armory, at the Chicago show.

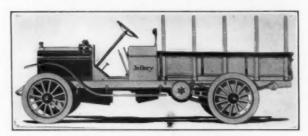
Also showing accessories in gallery on one side

rear springs are ¾ platform, frames pressed steel, with pressed steel cross frame members. Auxiliary cross inverted semi-elliptic springs are also fitted. The two-ton tires are 36 x 4 in. front, and 36 x 3½ in. dual rear, with an option of 36 x 6 in. at rear.

The one-ton chassis sells for \$1800, and the two-ton for \$2500.

THE JEFFERY MODELS

Thomas B. Jeffery Company, of Kenosha, Wis., showed for the first time two new commercial cars which have just been added to the line. These were shown for the first time at Chicago. They are 1250 lbs. and one-ton capacity, respectively. A two-ton truck is also being placed on the market but was not shown. These are known as the Jeffery delivery wagons. These two cars are entirely different in chassis design, although both have four cylinder motors, 41/2 x 41/2 in. cylinders, cast separately under the hood at the front. Leather faced cone clutch and three-speed selectively operated sliding gear or Rambler construction. The smaller car, however, is shaft driven to the regular Rambler floating axle. The other model has the change speed mechanism connected with the jack shaft, and from this point back the construction is Timken. Frames in both cases are of pressed steel, of course, of different weights. The smaller truck is mounted with regular

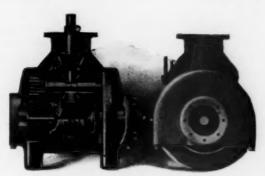


The Jeffery One-Ton Truck

equipment on 34 x 41/2 in., either U. S. or Goodyear tires, quick detachable rims. The wheels are demountable, following the well-known Rambler practice. The wheelbase of the small car is 120 in., and on the one-ton model is 126 in. The loading platform on the 1250 lb. truck is 78 x 48 in. On the larger car, 48 x 96 in. The chassis overall length on the oneton is 189 in.; tires 34 x 4 in. on the rear, 34 x 31/2 in. front. Ignition on both cars is Remy dual system. All controls are at the right. Both machines have semi-elliptic springs at the front, but the small car has full elliptic scroll end springs at the rear. Its brakes are of internal expanding and external contracting type on the rear wheel drums, while on the oneton model there is a set of contracting brakes on the jack shaft drums at the outside, and on the rear wheels a set of internal expanding brakes. The chassis prices are \$1250 for the 1250 lb. car and \$1500 for the one-ton.

THE LINDSAY INTERNAL-GEAR SHAFT DRIVE

T. J. Lindsay, of Indianapolis, Ind., showed for the first time an entirely new internal gear shaft drive in rear axle, especially for trucks, of either gasoline or electric type. The mechanism is somewhat novel, and is entirely new in its arrangement so far as the writer is aware. The rear axle is full floating, and of the unit type. An aluminum case at the cen-



Lindsay Internal-Gear Driving Unit Removable from housing at center of rear axle

ter houses not only the ordinary bevel spur pinion and bevel gear with differential, mounted in a steel caging, but also two spoked internal gears with slotted hubs, each of these gears engaging small pinions at each side of the differential. When this unit is telescoped into the aluminum rear axle housing, the slots in the hubs of the internal gears engage suitable shaped ends of the full floating axles, so that these axles are driven when the internal gears are rotated. The usual tubular housing encloses the floating shafts, and the spring supports are on these housings. The opening of the housing is at the back, and by removing the cover the entire unit, including the bevel gears, differential, spur and internal gears, can be drawn out without in any way interfering with any other part of the rear axle assembly, leaving everything in place. This mech-

anism supplies an internal gear driven rear axle with any desired reduction, the whole running in lubricant in an oil and dust-proof case.



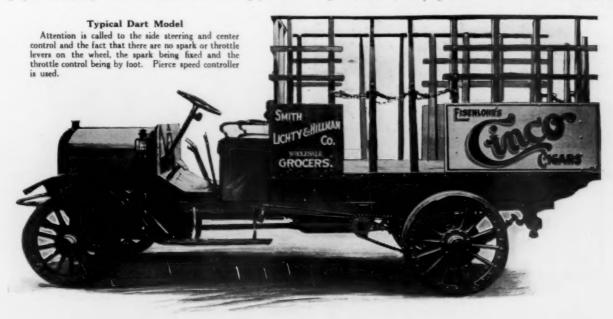
Structural Steel Truck
Novel arrangement is here shown, as exhibited on the White truck,
making it possible to carry very long structural steel beams, etc., without
an excessive overhang at the rear.



Dart Manufacturing Company's New Models

The Dart Manufacturing Company, of Waterloo, Ia., has been showing at the National Shows the new models for this coming season, ranging in carrying capacity from 500 lbs. to 3000 lbs. The smallest model is rated as 500-750 lbs. capacity, and sells for \$575. Its chassis weight is 1700 lbs., and a carrying space of 44 x 72 in. is available. The loading platform

height is 50 in., and the car is capable of a maximum speed of 16 miles per hour. It is of the two-cylinder type, 4½ in. bore x 4¾ in. stroke, rated as 14.45 h. p. by the S. A. E. formula. The engine is located under the seat on the main frame. The mixture is cared for by a Marvel carburetor, ignition by Remy magneto; in fact, Remy ignition is used on all of the models



except the largest car of 2000-3000 lbs. capacity, which is fitted with the Eisemann automatic system, this having storage batteries as an auxiliary, while the other cars have dry cells. The little car has two sets of brakes, expanding Raybestos faced on the rear wheel drums, which are 10 in. x 2½ in. face; jack shaft brakes of 10 x 2 in. Raybestos lined are also supplied, giving an unusually large braking surface for this small car. The tires are 36 x 2 in. The springs are full elliptic, front and rear, and wheelbase 86 in.

1250 lb. Truck

The next largest car is of 750-1250 lbs. capacity, and the chassis sells with 3 lamps, tools, seat box, horn, etc., for \$750. This car has a four-cylinder, 3½ x 4 in. motor, cast en bloc. The engine is three-point suspended on the main frame under the hood at the front. A Stromberg carburetor is used on this car, and also on the two larger models. Sliding gear change speed mechanism, giving two speeds and a reverse is used. This model is put out either with a shaft drive and bevel gear rear axle, or with side chains and a dead rear axle. The brakes are similar to the smaller model; tires 34 x 2½ in. front and 36 x 2½ in. rear. The steering wheel is at the left and the control levers at the center on all Dart models. The wheelbase of this model is 108 in.; the loading space 44 x 78 in., with a platform 50 in. above the ground.

Simple Control

No spark or throttle levers appear on the wheels of any of the Dart models, the spark being fixed, and the throttle being entirely operated by foot, making the cars simple of

operation. This system together with the Pierce controller, which limits the 3000 lb. car to 16 m. h. p., makes it practically impossible for the driver to damage the truck by overspeeding. On this large model an electric starter can be had as an extra, if desired.

The \$950 and \$1800 Dart Models

All Dart prices are given on the chassis only, the \$950 chassis having a capacity of 1250 to 2000 lbs., and a carrying space of 48 x 85 in., with an 18 in. overhang and 50 in. platform. The maximum speed in 18 m. p. h., Pierce speed controller being used. The motor is of four-cylinder type, of 31/4 x 5 in., cast en bloc, as are all of the Dart engines with the exception of the two-cylinder. This car, and the largest model, which has a capacity of 2000 to 3000 lbs., sells for \$1800 for the chassis, are practically the same in general design, the only difference being in the size of the motor, and some of the driving parts, brakes, etc. Both are side chain driven; the smaller car has 12 x 21/2 in. Raybestos faced brakes on the rear wheels, and the larger one 12 x 3 in. The transmission in each of these is of three-speed sliding gear type, selectively operated, the levers as before mentioned being at the center, with the steering wheel at the left. The tires on the 2000 lb. car are 34 x 21/2 in. front, and 38 x 3 in. rear, and are mounted on Goodyear side flange rims. A 16 gallon gasoline tank is located under the seat, with three gallons in reserve, and on the largest model an 18 gallon tank, with 5 gallons in reserve. The springs are semi-elliptic front and rear.



Wichita One and Two-Ton Models

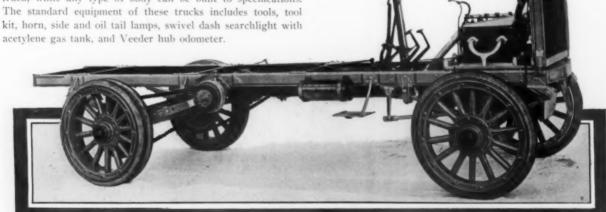


HE Wichita Falls Motor Company, of Wichita Falls, Tex., announces that its product is in use in large numbers on the Pacific Coast, throughout the Southern States, Old Mexico and Cuba, and that it is arranging to turn out more than 500 machines during the 1913 season.

Two models are being offered, Model A, one-ton, chassis price \$1650, and Model B, two-ton, chassis \$2100, f. o. b. Wichita Falls. Standard bodies are built for each truck, while any type of body can be built to specifications. The standard equipment of these trucks includes tools, tool kit, horn, side and oil tail lamps, swivel dash searchlight with acetylene gas tank, and Veeder hub odometer.

The Wichita Motor

This motor is designed particularly for truck service and is built complete in the Texas factory. The motor is of the L head type with cylinders cast enbloc, suspended from four points. The bore is $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. and the stroke 5 in. The crank



The Wichita Falls Chassis, One Ton Capacity

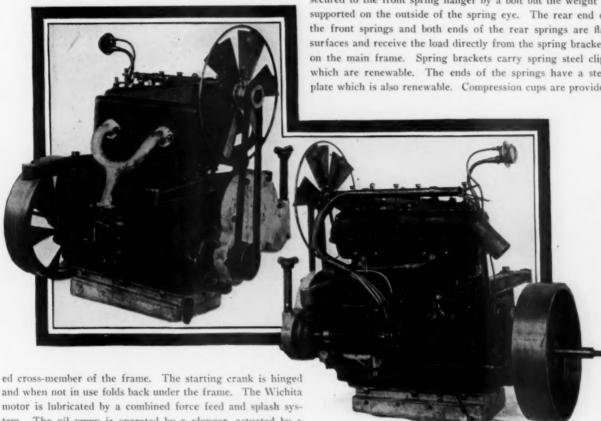
shaft is 21/4 in. in diameter and has specially constructed end bearings. The shaft is turned down at the ends and hardened steel sleeves are pressed on and then ground to a true center. This provides a hardened bearing, which is easily renewable. The connecting rods are of generous length and are drop forged I-beam construction. The timing gears are helical, a special gear being provided for driving the magneto. Cooling is by water, assisted by an unusually large radiator, which absolutely insures perfect cooling. The radiator is spring suspended and protected from accidental injuries by the curv-

steel channel section with straight side members. The front cross member acts as a bumper projecting about six inches in front of the radiator at the center.

The standard wheel base for the one-ton model is 110 in. and for the two-ton model 118 in. Additional wheel base length up to 144 in. is provided for.

Springs and Wheels

The springs, front and rear, are semi-elliptic. No spring shackles are used. The forward end of the front spring is secured to the front spring hanger by a bolt but the weight is supported on the outside of the spring eye. The rear end of the front springs and both ends of the rear springs are flat surfaces and receive the load directly from the spring brackets on the main frame. Spring brackets carry spring steel clips which are renewable. The ends of the springs have a steel plate which is also renewable. Compression cups are provided



Intake and Exhaust Sides of the Wichita Motor

and when not in use folds back under the frame. The Wichita motor is lubricated by a combined force feed and splash system. The oil pump is operated by a plunger, actuated by a cam on the timing shaft. The oil level is indicated by a gage on the crank case. The carburetor is provided with a hot air intake and a special dash adjustment. Ignition current is furnished by high tension magneto and the purchaser has the option of single or dual equipment. The clutch is of the cone type, provided with a leather facing. This facing is held in place by T bolts which are pressed below the face of the cone. No rivets are used to hold the facing in position. Adjustable springs are provided at intervals under the clutch facing, which prevent the clutch from grabbing. The clutch spider is in an aluminum casting. Three speed and reverse transmission is used which is bolted to the jack shaft housing. The transmission and jack shaft have three point suspension. The propeller shaft is located between the transmission and the clutch and is provided with two universal joints.

Axles and Frame

The Wichita axles are drop forged; the front are I beam section and the rears rectangular. The frame is a pressed for lubricating the surfaces of the spring plates. The radius rods are rigidly constructed and are provided with drop forged yoke ends. The adjusting nuts are at the forward ends. The wheels are artillery type with square spokes, fourteen to the wheel. The wheels are provided with S. A. E. bands to receive standard demountable tires.

Steering

Steering gear is of the worm and wheel gear type; the steering gear being located on the right and is provided with an outside type of spark and throttle control. A foot accelerator is also provided. The Wichita gear shift is located in the center of the car and is provided with long levers that are easily accessible. The jack shaft brakes are operated by a foot pedal and the emergency brake by a brake lever located alongside the gear shift lever.



MOTOR TRUCK CLUB DISCUSSES SHOW SITUATION

At a well attended meeting of the Motor Truck Club, at Rector's, 1845 Broadway, New York City, on Wednesday, February 19, the subject, "Do Motor Truck Shows Pay?" was under discussion.

President Fenner called for speakers on the subject of the evening, and A. J. Slade was the first to respond. The views of nearly all were heard, and the consensus of opinion was that the shows as now run do not pay. There was apparently a desire on the part of the members for some kind of an outdoor show. This was particularly advocated by Shadbolt, the well-known body builder. President Fenner suggested competitive events, in which special loading, unloading and other devices could be shown. E. S. Foljambe, editor of the COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL and AUTOMOBILE TRADE JOUR-NAL, brought to the attention of the meeting the suggestion of these papers that there be but one national automobile show, and that held in the early fall. At such a show the dealers and manufacturers could get together, and competition and all kinds of demonstrations of the newest features to increase the efficiency of the motor truck chassis could be demonstrated. It was suggested that the national convention of dealers might be held at the same time, thus saving the industry the expense and loss of time of separate trips.

A truck parade was suggested for April, and steps were taken to prepare for this event. The secretary was instructed to suggest to the N. A. A. M. the advisability of having truck parades held all over the country on the same day, each of these under the guidance of the local dealers.

SAN FRANCISCO MOTOR TRUCK SHOW

The Motor Car Dealers' Association of San Francisco, Cal., proposes to show this year, a most complete exhibition of every American made motor truck, at its First Annual Motor Truck Show. This initial exposition is to be under the management of Motor Field, with G. A. Wahlgreen in charge, and it will be held in Coliseum Hall, San Francisco, April 1st to 6th.

AUTOMOBILE DEALERS' ASSOCIATION, of Buffalo, N. Y., will hold the first exhibition devoted entirely to commercial cars, in Buffalo, on March 11th to 15th, in the Broadway Auditorium.

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SAN FRANCISCO MOTOR TRUCK CLUB ACTIVE

The Motor Truck club recently formed in San Francisco, Cal., is going to be an active factor in the commercial car industry. Monthly dinners are held at which are held practical discussions of commercial car problems. A subject is selected for each month's discussion, but in addition experiences and practical ideas are exchanged on any other subject. At the last meeting the regular subject was "tire troubles," and a practical device to insure pulling a truck out of any bad hole, invented by LeRoy Jones, of the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Corporation, and another to help in bad going, devised by W. Woods of Glendale, were explained to the club members and placed at their disposal. Another "wrinkle" worked out by a Los Angeles truck owner fastens tires which are cut or otherwise separated.

The subject for the next meeting will be "Operating Costs and Truck Maintenance."

ECLIPSE MOTOR TRUCK COMPANY, Franklin, Pa., has been sold to the Champion Truck Company, New England, Pa.

LONGWELL MOTOR TRUCK & SALES COMPANY has been organized at El Paso, Texas, with \$10,000 capital, by J. J. Longwell, H. M. Andreas and J. A. Kays.

Kansas City Motor Truck Show (February 24th to 27th), the first commercial car show ever held in that city, was a pronounced success. Two hundred trucks were exhibited and considerable business resulted.

SIDNEY B. BOWMAN AUTOMOBILE COMPANY, 225-231 W. 49th Street, New York City, has taken the agency in the Metropolitan district for the Vulcan truck, manufactured by the Driggs-Seabury Ordnance Corporation.

THE LANSDEN COMPANY, Newark, N. J., has taken over its agency interests in Boston, Mass., and established a factory branch at that point in charge of H. E. Taylor, who was formerly the agent of the Lansden Company.

An International Automobile Show will be held at St. Petersburg, in May, 1913, under the auspices of the Imperial Automobile Club of Russia, and the patronage of the Czat. It is said that American cars will be given great prominence at this show.

CHASE MOTOR SALES COMPANY, St. Louis, Mo., has been taken over by the Kardell Motor Car Company and Charles A. Rohlfing, formerly the head of the Chase Motor Sales Company, will have charge of the truck department of the Kardell Company. The Chase salesrooms and service station will hereafter be at 4152-56 Olive Street.

Modern Truck Company, 206-210 N. 21st Street, Philadelphia, Pa., of which Wm. M. Brownback is President, has secured the agency for the Modern trucks built by the Bowling Green Motor Car Company, for the Atlantic Coast states. This company will also handle the Pope-Hartford trucks. Its organizers are members of the Wallace Automobile Company of Philadelphia.

The Relation Between the Agent and the Manufacturer

BY E. S. FOLJAMBE

This is the last of a series of eight articles by Mr. E. S. Foljambe, dealing with subjects of interest to agents, dealers and manufacturers. Briefly, the subjects taken up have been: Taking On a Commercial Car Agency; The Kind and Location of Salesroom; The Selection of and Instructions to Salesmen; Or Carrying the Campaign Into the Prospect's Territory; How the Engineering Force Can Assist the Retail Sales Department, and The Agent's Responsibility After the Sale.—Ebrroa.

PART VIII Amount of Discounts

One of the first questions asked by the prospective agent of the manufacturer is, "what is the discount?" Usually he bases almost everything on the size of the discount. Other things being equal this is probably the correct attitude, but other things are usually not equal, and it often happens that the agent makes more on a truck—which sells rapidly and easily and on which repeat orders are frequent, although the discount may be only 20 per cent. than on perhaps a larger truck on which he gets 25 per cent.

It used to be a common custom to give large discounts and territories, the agent dividing up this field as he saw fit, but this did not as a rule bring the best results either to the manufacturer or the dealer. That both discounts and territory should be under the control of the manufacturer is now generally conceded.

Discounts to the dealer are often affected by the size of the establishment, the number of cars and the amount of stock in parts and accessories which he is able to carry. The season of the year at which this stock can be shipped is also an item. Without a stock of parts the proper service to the purchaser is almost impossible, and it is but natural that the necessary stock carried by the agent is each year growing larger, and that he is doing more and more for the purchaser in the way of service.

The dealer is virtually a part of the manufacturer's selling organization. When an agent is in a territory in which he cannot make good with one size, type, or make of machine, the wise manufacturer is willing not only for the dealer to take on another nonconflicting line, but even goes so far as to help him obtain another car or cars, which he feels will make good in his territory.

the road with trouble in these parts, the branch is able to inform the user that this is not the fault of the truck, but the user's own fault, and can refer to the letter calling attention at the time to the bearings or other parts which should have been looked after. A system of this kind very soon educates the user to be careful of the kind of claims he puts in for work or parts, and the trucks run much longer, as they are not driven with parts out of adjustment or improperly assembled or lubricated. It is found also that the owners take more pride in having the truck presentable at the time when it undergoes its monthly half day inspection.

The Bonus as Rebate System

Occasionally a bonus system has been employed in which the dealer after selling a certain volume received a special discount or so-called rebate from the manufacturer. If properly used, this works to advantage, but cases are not infre-

> quent of dealers in hopes of getting this special rebate, contracting for more than they could handle. These extra cars are difficult to sell, and have a tendency to cause price cutting.

> Some dealers felt as though this bonus money rightfully belonged to them, and that it was in a way capital tied up, which they could not get the use of until the end of the period, so that the plan, although good from the maker's standpoint, is not always so advantageous from the dealer's point of view.

Free Service by a Branch

A branch of one well known company overhauls the trucks in use by purchasers during a period of one-half day each month. All work is done upon the truck which can be done in the half day by a good, practical inspector or repairman and the driver of the truck. Of course at first some of the customers said, "why we can't spare our truck for half a day every month," but gradually they did, and found that it actually saved time for the truck in the end. Incipient and embryonic trcubles were detected and remedied while yet too young to put the truck out of commission, and as very careful reports were made of everything done in the way of repairs or adjustments, such as valve grinding, etc., the branch had a very good knowledge of the exact condition of each vehicle, and when anything unusual happened it was less difficult to place the blame. For instance, if a truck at the last overhauling showed that some of the main bearings were loose, or other adjustments should be made which could not be made in the half day's time, this would be suggested to the user. If not attended to and the truck is soon afterward held up on

Manufacturers' Sales in Agents' Territory

As mentioned elsewhere in this series of articles, large purchasers of trucks in the big cities desire to deal directly with the manufacturer whenever possible. This occasionally results in sales of fleets of trucks direct from the factory to the user. Under these circumstances, where does the agent come in? This is a question which each manufacturer thus far has decided for himself, but is another one of those important subjects which should be taken up by an association of the dealers. The right attitude of manufacturer toward dealer is that of providing a special commission on all sales of fleets of trucks in which the agent is only indirectly connected. In the same way there should be some commission to the agent on any sale started by the agent and closed by the manufacturer. Every manufacturer has a duty to perform toward his agent, one phase of which is to protect that agent in his territory. By protection is meant a commission to the agent on every sale made within that territory, even sales which he does not personally bring in, the size of the commission depending upon the part played in the sale by the agent. In this, and this way only, is he really protected.

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It has happened that the manufacturer failed to supply within season the number of trucks contracted for by the dealer, in which case the dealer usually loses sales, but as a rule has no redress. The writer knows of at least one instance in which the dealer was able to put through a contract with the makers, with penalties attached in the form of a forfeiture in case the cars could not be obtained as per contract. In this case the manufacturer forfeited \$2000. Such contracts are very unusual, and it is doubtful whether any manufacturer would at this stage in the commercial car industry, sign any such agreement. As a rule the maker ties up the agent, not the agent the manufacturer, the agent in most cases being more likely to be the irresponsible party.

There are many tricks which are resorted to by those desiring one or two trucks in small towns where no agency is established, and the manufacturer has to be on his guard. For example, in a territory in which a sale of ten cars would be

all that could be expected for a season, the manufacturer is usually very well pleased to sign with a firm which guarantees to sell six trucks immediately. Investigation may prove that there are four or five companies or individuals desiring these cars, and that they have simply agreed if one of them can secure the so-called agency, they will split the commissions between them. In such a case the dealer, of course, makes no further effort towards sales, and if the terri-

tory is a growing one, the maker has simply lost a year as far as establishing a permanent and successful agency is concerned.

Time Allowed Agent to Make Good

This leads to the question of the length of time which the average manufacturer will give an agent to make good in his territory. There seems to be a very general tendency to carry along just as far as possible and as long as possible, an agent who has shown that he is actually making a strong effort to sell, even if the actual results may be practically nothing for the first year. In fact, there seem to be territories in which a year's time is necessary in order to produce even the first sale, after which, however, the sales curve approaches more nearly that of the ordinary territory. This is true of the first truck of the kind in the community, and especially in very conservative communities where it is difficult to "get under the skin" so to speak.

If, however, it is found that the dealer is not making the kind of effort that the manufacturer feels should be made, it is usually impossible to do anything before the end of the year, as the yearly contract is almost universal. The methods of obtaining information as to what is being done vary from a personal visit and investigation, to reports by travelling repairmen or trouble men, who after they have been in town for a couple of days investigating, may perhaps drop in on the agent and make themselves known. Some manufacturers who are more shrewd than the rest, often include in the contract the right of inspecting the books of the agent. In general, the makers give the agent every opportunity, and realize that to place a new man would mean beginning over again with a loss of from eight to ten months' time.

Time Payments

Whether time payments should be accepted is a matter largely dependent upon the credit of the purchaser and the financial ability of the agent or branch to carry the account. Sales on credit are made in many lines, but there are few in which the product stands the same chance of being damaged irreparably within a short time. With a commercial car the purchaser may not get around the corner before he is hit by a trolley, or attempts to drive the truck up a pole, damaging it beyond all resemblance to a motor vehicle. In such a case it is difficult indeed to collect the outstanding debt. If the buyer is good and able to meet his notes, and sufficient cash is paid in the transaction not only to care for the commission of the agent, but to give the manufacturer ample capital on which to work, such sales may not be detrimental. In general, however, the great danger in such a credit system is that the burden will become so great as to sink the partly established or

under-financed agency. The truck, of course, remains the property of the dealer, but if forced to take it back its price has already been greatly depreciated, and it may, due to accidents or other causes, be in such a condition that it will only bring a small part of what is still due upon it. As mentioned in this series in a preceding issue, the attitude of the helper, driver, repair shop man and owner is very much less respectful toward the truck, and less care is taken

of it, when it is known that the truck may at any time be turned back again to the agent. Under these circumstances it would not be the part of wisdom for any maker to advise an agent to sell on the instalment plan.

Trouble is occasionally experienced by the manufacturers with dealers or agents who permit, or even advocate, overloading. They sometimes believe that the flat territory in which the trucks are operating will permit of greater speed and greater carrying capacity, and have even gone so far as to remove the plates upon which the capacity was marked. The load capacity is a thing which should be absolutely controlled by the manufacturer, and every agent who persisted in claiming greater capacity than allowed by the manufacturer should by contract clause forfeit the agency. Even the statements of the agent must be kept within reasonable bounds, or dissatisfied users will result.

Manufacturer Dependent on the Agent

A famous car manufacturer at a recent monthly stockholders' meeting, at which a large dividend was being declared, made the remark, while the members were congratulating themselves and each other on the success of the company, "temporarily, this is very satisfactory." When asked what he meant, he said, "I want to know how much money our agents are making, for if they are not making money, they will not be our agents long." This brings out forcibly the fact, that it is not enough that the manufacturer make money, but the agent must also make a profit, otherwise he will not remain an agent. Changing—always changing agents—brings no profit.

One successful manufacturer not long ago made the statement that one of the most short-sighted policies that he knew of on the part of the manufacturer, was to prohibit an agent from taking on any other cars as a side line, and restricting him rigidly to one make. When an agent is in a territory in which he cannot make good with one size type or make of machine, the wise manufacturer is willing not only for the dealer to take on another non-conflicting line, but even goes so far as to help him obtain another car or cars, which he feels will make good in his territory.

"Nothing succeeds like success." The successful dealer has the finest building, show room, and above all, service department. He has capital to carry through big sales, to temporarily carry on deliveries for a merchant that is "up against it," to use the vernacular. He is able to hire the best salesmen, the most expert repairmen, in short he will make sales where his less prosperous contemporary could not. The dealer is virtually a part of the manufacturers' selling organization and should be so considered.

It is therefore good business on the part of the manufacturer to procure for the agent a good side line or assist, in any reasonable way, in making the agent make money.

COMMERCIAL CAR AGENCIES WANTED BY:

W. J. Bailey, corner Arch and Scott Streets, Madisonville, wants gasoline cars of 1/2 to 1 ton capacity, to sell at \$800 to \$1200.

Iowa Motor Truck Company, 101 Second Street, De-Moines, Ia., wants gasoline cars of 2 and 6 tons capacity, to sell at various prices

H. A. Schaffer, Elkhart, Ind., wants gasoline cars of 1000 to 2500 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$700 to \$1500.

Walter M. Schofield, 5 East Elm Street, Greenwich, Conn., wants gasoline cars of 1/2 to 3 tons capacity, to sell at various prices.

R. E. Lankford, 714 Seventh Street, N. E., Washington, C., wants gasoline commercial cars of 1 to 5 tons capacity, to sell at \$900 to \$3500.

The May Sales Company, New Springfield, O., want gasoline and electric cars of 1 ton capacity, to sell under \$1450

Potters Motor Car Company, Diamond and Peach Streets, East Liverpool, O., want gasoline commercial cars of 500 to 1000 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$500 to \$700.

H. J. Fisher, Jeanerette, La., wants gasoline and electric commercial cars of 1, 2 and 3 tons capacity, to sell at not over \$2000.

C. Edson Abbott, Franklin, Mass., wants gasoline commercial cars of 34 tons to 2 tons capacity, to sell at medium prices.

Freeman's Garage, Main Street, Grass Valley, Cal., wants asoline commercial cars of 34, 1, 2, 3 tons capacity, to sell at \$1000 up

Michigan Motor Car Company, Branch, Charles City, Iowa, wants gasoline commercial cars of various sizes and prices.

Thomas Watson, 35 Lake Street, LeRoy, N. Y., wants gasoline cars of from 1/2 to 3 tons capacity, to sell at various

Pioneer Garage, Carbondale. Pa., want gasoline cars of 2000 to 2500 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$1000 or less.

Remington Motor Car Company, Remington, Va., wants gasoline cars of 1000 to 3000 lbs. capacity, to sell at various prices

A. Bruce Potts, Howard City, Mich., wants gasoline cars of 1500 to 2000 lbs, capacity, to sell at \$1000.

Fariott Garage and Engine Factory, Seventh Avenue, West, ibault, Minn., wants gasoline cars of 1 to 3 tons capacity, to Faribault, Minn., sell at \$500 to \$2000.

Kissinger and Ockinga, Glenville, Neb., wants gasoline and electric commercial cars of various sizes, to sell at \$1200.

Moore Motor Car Company, 139 East Main Street, Lexington, Ky., wants gasoline commercial cars of 1500 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$700 to \$1000.

Earl E. Parks, Main and First Streets, Northville, N. Y., wants gasoline and electric cars of 1 ton to 3000 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$700 to \$2000.

David S. Ely, Waverly Place, Madison, N. J., oline and electric cars of 2000 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$1000.

The Auto Inn and Exchange, High Street and Sixth Avenue, Columbus, O., wants gasoline cars of 1000 to 3000 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$800 to \$2000.

Atlas Garage and Machine Shop, 1444 Green Street, San Francisco, Cal., wants gasoline and electric cars of various sizes and prices.

C. P. Jenkins, 186-190 City Garage, North Main Street, Pittston, Pa., wants gasoline and electric cars of various capacities and prices.

Culp Brothers, Pacific Grove, Cal., want gasoline and electric cars of various capacities and prices.

Newhart Brothers, Concord, Cal., wants gasoline cars of tons capacity, to sell at \$1000 and up.

McGrew-Sinning Auto Company, Holton, Kan., wants gasoline cars of 1000 to 2000 lbs. capacity, to sell at various price Bassett Hardware Manufacturing Company, Monticello, wants gasoline cars of all sizes and prices.

J. A. Baart, Choteau, Mont., wants gasoline and electric of all sizes and prices.

Kuhns-Woodruff Company, 435-437 East First Street, Day-O., wants gasoline cars of 1000, 1500 lbs. and heavier types, at all prices

Hobert Auto Sales and Supply Company, 408 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, O., wants gasoline and electric cars of 1500 lbs. to 3 tons capacity, to sell at \$700 to \$2400.

Girard Model Works, Girard, Pa., want gasoline and elecand 1 ton capacity, to sell for \$1000 and under.

U. G. Whitacre, 106 Hancock Avenue, Vandergrift, Pa., wants gasoline cars of 1/2 to 2 tons capacity, to sell at \$700 to \$1500

Wheeler Transfer Line, Menasha, Wis., wants gasoline cars of 3 tons capacity, to sell at various prices.

Woods-Ford Auto Company, Main Street, Lawrenceburg, wants gasoline commercial cars of 1, 2 and 3 tons capacity, to sell at \$1000 to \$3000.

Adolph Lieber, Bellevue, O., wants gasoline cars of various sizes, to sell at \$1000.

The Cambridge Motor and Storage Company, 703 Brown Avenue, Cambridge, O., wants gasoline car 2000 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$600 to \$1500.

George B. Carter, 22 Bank Street, Petersburg, Va., wants gasoline cars of 1 to 5 tons capacity, to sell at various prices.

Cyrus L. Hock or Five Point Garage, 504 Dacotah Street Bethlehem, Pa., wants gasoline and electric cars of 800 to 1500 lbs. capacity, to sell at \$1000 to \$1500.

J. W. Richley Auto Company, 237 East Philadelphia Street, York, Pa., wants gasoline commercial cars of 1 ton to 3 tons sell at \$800 to \$2500.

Motor Sales Company, 903-905 Island Avenue. McKees Rocks, Pa., wants gasoline and electric cars of 1, 2 and 3 tons capacity, to sell at a low price.

The Brucker Motor Car Company, 50-52 Park Avenue, Mansfield, O., wants gasoline cars of 800 lbs. to 1½ tons capacity, to sell at \$800 to \$1100.

Stephen V. Britt, Purchase, N. Y., wants gasoline cars up to 5 tons capacity, to sell at various prices.

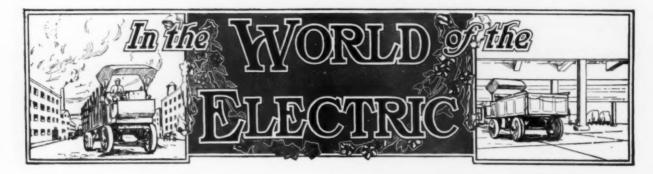
Story Motor Supply Company, Bozeman, Mont., wants gaselectric cars of various sizes and prices Ira Neal, Pickering, Mo., wants gasoline and electric cars

of 20 to 40 h. p., to sell at \$630 to \$1000.

Burlington City Garage, Burlington, Colo., wants gasoline and electric cars of various sizes and prices.

Note.-Inquiries of the above character will be inserted for our subscribers without charge of any kind.

This service, however, is only for subscribers and those wishing to take advantage of it and who are not subscribers, should send their subscription order and remittance with the necessary data for the notice. Advertisement.



THE G. V. INDUSTRIAL TRUCK

The General Vehicle Company, of Long Island City, New York, showed an industrial truck especially adapted for use on docks and yards, and a wide range of local requirements.

This truck is of the electric type, having only two rotating parts, with both battery and driving mechanism mounted below the platform, which accordingly is free and clear, to carry not only a compact load, but iron pipe and similar material. The truck is controlled by two hand levers, located at a convenient position for the operator, and a brake pedal.

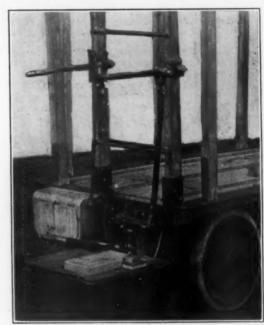
The capacity of this freight or baggage truck is 2000 lbs., and its weight is 2050 lbs. The battery equipment consists of 44 lead cells, weighing 650 lbs., and having an ampere capacity of 48. The motor is of the G. E. type equipped with Hess-Bright ball bearings. The controller affords three speeds in either direction. The frame is of 3 in. chan-



G. V. With Side-Opening Body

Here is shown the G. V. Industrial Truck fitted with side-opening body, for carrying and discharging stone, sand, etc. The gates are operated by a lever, which simultaneously opens both gates.

nel rolled steel, mounted on cast steel wheels, and having a wheelbase of 42 in. The tires are 20 x 2½ in. G. V. solid rubber. The transmission is through spur gear and pinion, direct from motor to right rear wheel, enclosed in dust proof case. The brakes are of the internal expanding type, located on the rear wheels, and operated by pedal. Both front and rear springs are of the spiral type, mounted on a 2 in. I-beam cast steel axle at the front and a 15% in. round chrome vanadium steel axle at the rear. A speed of 7 m. p. h. is obtainable, and the miles per battery charge, with the



G. V. Operating Mechanism

The operator's platform is here shown, with the control and steering levers located within convenient reach, and the brake pedal so located as to permit of easy operation.

truck loaded, are 25. The loading space with stakes is 66 x 37½ in., and without stakes 72 x 42½ in. This truck equipped with single motor and loaded, will climb grades up to 10 per cent.; for grades exceeding 10 per cent., two motors are furnished.



The G. V. Industrial Truck

Showing the forward stakes lowered, thus acting as skids, to permit of loading heavy and bulky articles. The convenience of operation can be noticed, as can also the location of the batteries.

THE BAKER GENERAL-SERVICE RUNABOUT

This late addition to the Baker electric line, built by the Baker Motor Vehicle Company, of Cleveland, O., has a capacity of 750 lbs. and gives a mileage radius of anywhere from 60 to 100 miles on one charge, on a battery equipment of 30 cells.

The steering is by wheel, with controller handle mounted on the steering mast directly beneath the wheel. It is equip-



The Baker Service Runabout

This model can be furnished with either panel or open bodies. In general appearance this car is very similar to a gasoline machine

ped with full elliptic springs in the rear and semi-elliptic in the front. The drive is by bevel gear shaft with a chain reduction.

In general appearance this new model closely resembles the gas motor type, having a hood with similar lines and fitted with doors to the cab which is enclosed by a windshield and top with side curtains.

Open and panel bodies compose the standard body line on this chassis. The open body is square and has a loading space 30 by 30 in., while the panel body, which is fitted with rear doors, has a loading space of 32 in. long and 36 in. wide, measured at the seat level.

The motor is of the same design and construction as those used in large trucks manufactured by the Baker company, and is built in accordance with the size, capacity and

speed of the car. The equipment consists of a windshield, trip odometer, two head lights, tail light, Sangamo ampere hour meter and a complete outfit of tools.

THE HUNTER AUTO SERVICE COMPANY, 321 S. 4th Street, Springfield, Ill., has taken the agency for the Borland-Grannis electric car.

THE GENERAL VEHICLE COMPANY, INC., of New York City, has been incorporated to deal in electric vehicles and also gasoline vehicles, with a capital stock of \$6,000,000.

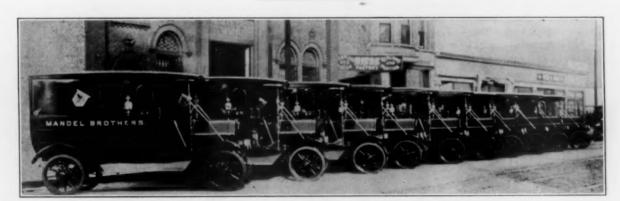
THEODORE D. GERE has resigned as one of the receivers of the Champion Wagon Company, Owego, N. Y., and has organized the Empire Electric Vehicle Company in the same

GERALD H. MURPHY, assistant treasurer of the Splitdorf Electrical Company, has severed his connections with that company. He has made no decisive plans for a future connec-

GEO. H. KELLY, manager of the truck department of The Baker Motor Vehicle Company, Cleveland, O., has started on an extensive Western tour, in the interests of big business and service developments.



Waverley Electric Delivery Wagon In service of the United States Parcel Post, Indianapolis



Fleet of Electrics in Service of Dry Goods House

The Mandel Brothers, Dry Goods Merchants of Chicago, have added to their delivery system ten 1000 lb. delivery wagons of the shaft-driven type, purchased from the Waverley Company, of Indianapolis. The cost of operation is figured as follows: \$2 per day per vehicle operating expense, including charging, washing, garaging and replacing of parts; \$1.30 per day for fixed charges, including depreciation, interest, etc.; \$2.50 per day for driver's wages. Total, \$5.80.



Kerosene and Heavy Oil Fuel Devices

BY OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

The Main Difficulties



HE chief difficulties in the use of kerosene for road transport work as we have found them in Europe, were summed up as follows by Professor Morgan and E. B. Wood in their joint paper before the British institution of Automobile Engineers last spring:

- (a) The ordinary carburetor difficulties due to variation in mixture quality.
 - (b) The difficulties in vaporizing the fuel, and holding it up as an explosive mixture.

On this basis, Messrs. Morgan and Wood were led, as a result of their experiments, to lay down the following essentials of a kerosene carburetor:

- II. (1) All fuel should be completely evaporated before entering the engine, although partial condensation might occur after evaporation.
 - (2) The fuel should be evaporated in the presence of some 10 to 20 per cent. of the total air required, and then mixed with the remaining air.

As a matter of fact, a third principle was enunciated, namely, that the evaporated fuel should be superheated before mixture with the main air supply, so as to produce a fog of extremely fine texture on dilution, and render it a fixed gas. Later work, however, shows that this last principle is open to question, for there is no evidence that a finer fog results from superheating, while there is evidence that with high superheating, a dense or readily deposited fraction occurs, causing the highly superheated charge to deposit in greater quantities than the cooler charge. The fixed quantity of gas produced is also disappointing, while its character is reported as undesirable.

A few typical examples of the best known devices over here will show how the various difficulties have been met and how greatly authorities differ on the relative values of those difficulties and the method of dealing with them.

Increased Production of Benzol

Within the last month the kerosene problem has been modified or complicated by a development that promises to alter the economic possibilities of another fuel, namely benzol. The present benzol supply is obtained as a by-product in the manufacture of gas from coal, which hitherto has only yielded quite a limited supply—about one to one and a half gallons per ton of coal; but now there seems some prospect of at least double that supply from gas making alone, quite apart

from the fact that the new low temperature del Monte process will enable coal slack and other comparatively useless forms of coal to be utilized. Shale can also be made to give a very large yield of products. It is calculated that 3 to 10 gallons of 100 per cent. benzol per ton will be obtainable from coal, and this at one-third to one-fourth of the cost of the old process, while as much as 135 gallons ot liquid distillate to the ton has been obtained from shale. It is calculated that this fuel can be produced at about 20 cents to the gallon in Great Britain, as opposed to 28 cents at present, being charged for the limited supplies of benzol available. But as far as kerosene and heavy oils are concerned the G. C. people find great variation in them. Some can stand a compression of over 90 lbs. per sq. in. without "cracking" and causing preignition, others little more than 50 lbs., and it has been found that the mixture of benzol with the oil fuel in the vaporizer (the benzol must be passed through the vaporizer, not the carburetor), affords a very effective means of correcting the oil fuel, for the larger carbon content in the benzol enables slower combustion to take place, while the oil fuel tends to correct the sluggishness of the benzol. Accordingly experiments are being carried on at present, which hitherto have gone to show that kerosene and heavy oils may be improved by mixing in the vaporizer with proportions of benzol varying from 10 to 50 per cent. of the mixture. Though kerosene only averages retail about 14 cents in Great Britain, the

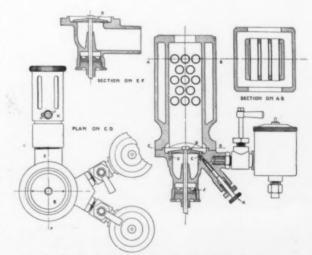


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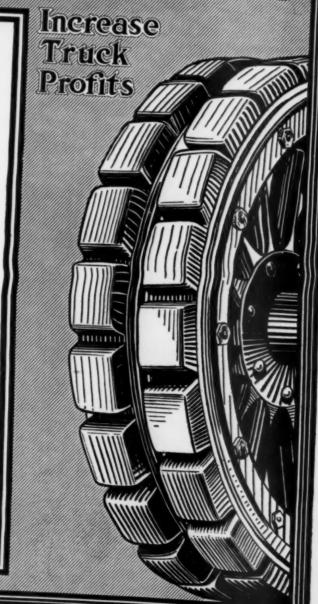
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The Davis Carburetor

The Davis kerosene carburetor is one of the oldest of the European appliances for using kerosene for automobiles. It may best be described as a carburetor-vaporizer. The delivery from two float chambers, each with separate float, needle valve and control cock, meet at the apex of a Y connection and deliver through a common orifice into the passage controlled by the fine adjustment valve A, seen in the sectional side elevation of the carburetor, Fig. 1. The upper opening of this passage is regulated by a taper pin C. let into the valve B., which is controlled by a light spring (not shown) at the bottom of its spindle, and also provided with a parallel pin D. to act as a guide. Beneath this valve is the intake of the air controlled by the semi-rotary regulator K. (see plan, and section on E.F.), which enables the capacity of the air inlet to be reduced when necessary, so that a carburetor with a 11/4 in, throttle may be suited if necessary to a 11/8 in. intake pipe. The engine is first started on the float chamber containing petrol, and the exhaust then enters the jacket surrounding the vaporizing chamber above the valve, and through the tubes passing across the chamber (see sectional drawings), so that as soon as a sufficient degree of heat has been attained, the engine can be switched on over the kerosene, the suction all the time, both with gasoline or kerosene, drawing the air in through the regulator K. and lifting the valve B. so that the air may mix with the fuel supply in its passage past the valve. The makers of these appliances do not advise more than 70 lbs. engine compression, and in fact find that 50 to 60 lbs. will afford the best results.

The G. C. Vaporizer

One of the most successful kerosene using devices of the present day is the G. C. vaporizer, the invention of George Constantinesco, a Roumanian engineer. The general arrangement is best explained by the drawing fig. 2, which shows how the kerosene is led to an exhaust heated vaporizer, and thence by separate throttle is regulated to the engine with an additional air valve at B., which can be adjusted if the engine smokes or back-fires, either on full or light charge, but all such adjustments must be made after the engine has been on full charge continuously for at least 15 minutes. For the

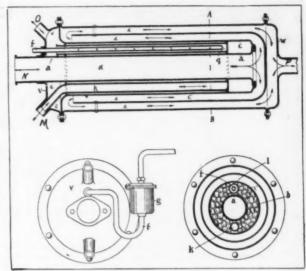


Fig. 3. Sectional Drawings to Explain the Internal Economy of the G. C. Vaporizer

internal economy of this silencer let us refer to fig. 3, but in doing so it should be noted that the asbestos lagging around the vaporizer, which is an essential, is not shown. Exhaust enters at N and follows the direction of the arrows along the passages D., emerging at P. whence, if preferred, though not necessary as a rule, it can be led to another muffler before passing into the atmosphere. Kerosene flows from the tank by gravity into a tube, which passes along the top of an annulus surrounding the exhaust pipe; indeed, the exhaust pipe constitutes the inner wall of the annulus, while the outer wall is also heated by the exhaust gases. A lot of little loose iron bars or studs in the annular chamber are soon raised to a high temperature, and the pipe leading petrol into this chamber is pierced with small holes along its length, so that the kerosene is injected among the pieces of heated metal and by them gasified. At the same time the predetermined proportion of warm air is drawn into this annular vaporizer along the pipe K. and mixed with the gas, whence the mixture of vaporized kerosene and air is drawn at high velocity-high velocity is important-through the outlet O., and before reaching the engine is further diluted and cooled by extra air introduced past the valve fitted in the intake.

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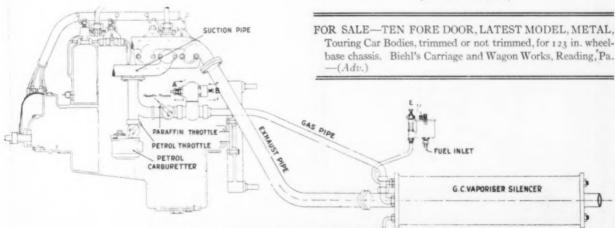


Fig. 2. The General Arrangement of the G. C. Vaporizer



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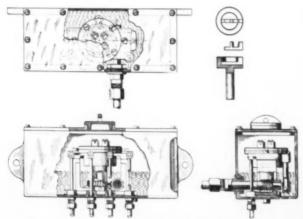


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THE PEDERSEN MECHANICAL LUBRICATOR WITH MULTIPLE FEED PUMP

The accompanying cut shows detail views of the Pedersen Lubricator, which is designed more particularly for commercial car use. It is manufactured by the Pedersen Lubricator Company, 636-44 First avenue, New York City. A novel feature of this pump is its extreme simplicity, as while it may be made with any number of feeds, and each feed individually adjustable, it has only two moving parts. It allows for a wide range of attachment to a motor, as it may be connected direct to any rotating shaft or placed in an oil tank, or at a considerable distance from same, as these pumps have strong suction and discharge power. They may be placed in any desired position either horizontal or vertical, and will work equally well in either direction of rotation without any change to the pump.



Three Views of the Pedersen Mechanical Lubricator

The pump consists of a casing and cover, the casing having an enlarged cylindrical end bore with inlet and discharge openings, and has within the casing a rotating shaft with a head and stem fitting the bore of same, the end of the head bearing against the under surface of the cover.

In the face of the casing is a circular recess having openings leading to the circular bore, forming inlet or suction ports; equally distant between these are the discharge ports communicating direct from the bore to the outlet connections.

The head of the shaft is recessed in its outer face and transversely slotted, with a sliding piston fitting in same, this piston being also recessed, forming at one end a head and at the middle a pin or stud.

Fastened in and projecting from the under side of the cover are one or more studs according to the number of feeds,

and in rotating the shaft, these studs act upon the stud of the piston, giving same a transverse movement, drawing in the oil through the suction ports when opposite same.

Equally spaced between the fixed studs in the cover and passing through same are adjusting screws having tapered ends. These act upon the neck of the piston, which is of a corresponding taper. The action takes place when the piston is in line with the discharge port, and the amount of discharge can be varied by means of the taper ended screw.

The operation of the pump is as follows: By rotating the shaft which carries the slidable piston, same is by acting upon the stationary pin, given a transverse inward movement when opposite the inlet port drawing in the oil, same being confined between the casing and the piston until opposite the outlet port, when the piston is again acted upon by the tapered screw and given an outward movement, discharging the oil.

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE LBA BATTERY

A number of improvements are noticeable on the LBA storage battery over last year's product, as manufactured by the Willard Storage Battery Company, of Cleveland, O. All of the improvements made are of course designed to increase the efficiency and life of the battery.

Attention is called to bolted on connector (5) as made by this company. To insure the best possible results the top of the terminal and the lower portion of the connector are machined so that when the connector is bolted down tight the two parts are in perfect contact and in case of acid accidentally being spilled on the top of the case no acid can work its way in between the connector and the battery terminal.

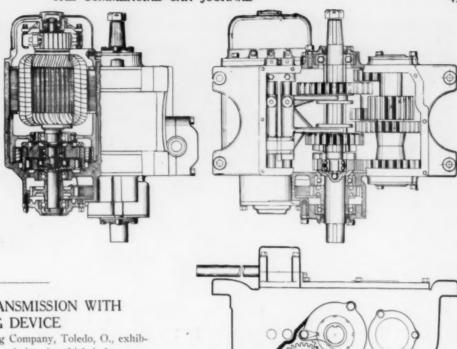


Parts of the LBA Storage Battery

The above illustrations show some of the improvements in 1913 L B A battery. Fig. 1 shows a jar with heavy walls, to insure against breakage, with both standard and deep spaces for mud. Figs. 2 and 3 illustrate the new quick-sealing cover, using a pure, soft rubber gasket. This cover can be instantly removed. Fig. 4, vent plug, which condenses the gas produced by charging by breaking the gas bubbles before they escape. Fig. 5, bolted on connectors. (For details see text.) Fig. 6, lead plated copper connector, having thirteen times the conductivity of ordinary lead.

This construction reduces the resistance, and therefore does not hinder the easy flowing of the current. Another feature of this battery is that a rubber gasket is used instead of the ordinary sealing compound usually employed.

For starting and lighting purposes this company is calling special attention to its new 6 volt starting battery. This battery is made along the same lines as the regular LBA battery, the difference being that the terminals, cables, etc., are all made heavier to correspond to the additional service required for this line of work.



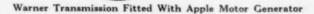
NEW WARNER TRANSMISSION WITH STARTING DEVICE

The Warner Manufacturing Company, Toledo, O., exhibited for the first time their transmission, in which is incorporated a starting device, included in the housing of the transmission, making a very neat and compact arrangement. This is in line with the tendency to incorporate the starters as a part of the mechanism, rather than add them as accessories. The lower part of the case is shaped to form a housing for an electric motor-generator, where a motor-generator is used, or the motor can be placed in this position and the generator, when a separate one is used, can be mounted on the engine. The one shown was the Apple, with the motor-generator enclosed in the transmission case, and driving the main shaft by spur gears, which are also enclosed. This is the first time, so far as the writer is aware, that the starting outfit has been incorporated with the transmission. It has the advantage of relieving the engine of some of the numerous parts now attached to it, and of a more or less flexible starting through the clutch. This clutch connection also permits the starting motor to reach its speed before it is called upon to turn the engine over.

THE NEVEROUT RADIATOR HEATER AND PATENT LICENSE BRACKET

The Rose Manufacturing Company, 910 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., is calling the commercial car user's attention to its radiator and motor heater, as a means of keeping the truck or delivery car in good condition for quick starting and thus eliminating the usual time required in trying to start the car after it has reposed in a cold stable or garage over night. This heater keeps the water in the cir-





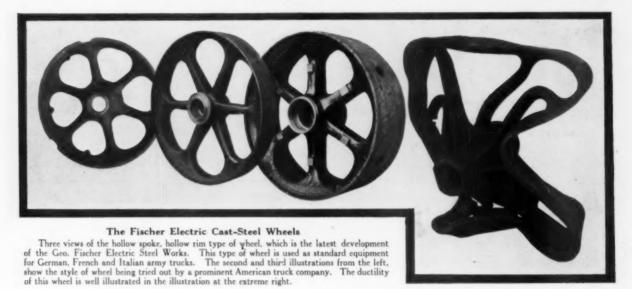
culating system at any desired temperature. The heater is connected by simply hooking the tube in the radiator filler opening; connecting the heater circulating system with the radiator pet cock (by means of a small rubber tube), then connecting the burner with the city gas supply pipe by means of a flexible metallic tube. Beside keeping the motor

warm, it also keeps the garage at a comfortable temperature, and practically acts as a garage heater as well.

This company is also making a patent license bracket combined with electric tail lamp, same being designed especially for truck The lamp is heavily reinforced, making it practically indestructible and capable of withstanding the heavy jolts and jars coincident with commercial car use. The license tag holder requires only one thumb screw for securing the license in place. The lamp is built upon the quick interchangeable system so that in case of damage to any part the same can be easily replaced.



The Rose Radiator



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This company's latest development in this line of work is illustrated herewith and is what is termed a hollow wheel, that is, both spokes and rim are hollow. This form of wheel is being used by the London General Omnibus Company, which has two thousand 'busses on the road using Fischer wheels.

The weight of the wheel is extremely small, considering its strength. As an instance, the equipment used by the Daimler omnibuses (three ton vehicles) weigh as follows: front wheel, 36 x 4 in. single, 112 lbs.; 36 x 4 in. dual rear wheel, 216 lbs. These weights are for one wheel only, finished, ready to have the tires pressed on. A feature of these wheels is that they can be designed to take any form of tire without having extra steel wheels pressed on to them. The steel in these wheels is of a comparatively low carbon, being about .2 and is of an exceptional purity, owing to the fact that the

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THE SCHWARZ SPRING WHEEL

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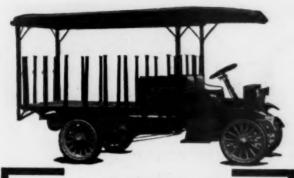
Two Schwarz Spring Wheels

The illustration on the left shows Schwarz spring fitted up as the driving wheel, with hub and brake drums in place. The wood in the block tires is chemically treated, encased in steel, and ruber cushioned, all parts wearing at the same time.

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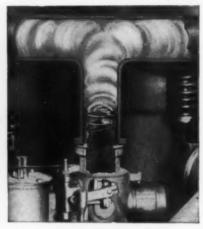
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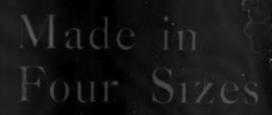
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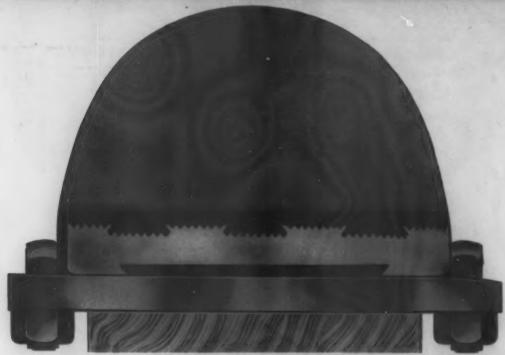
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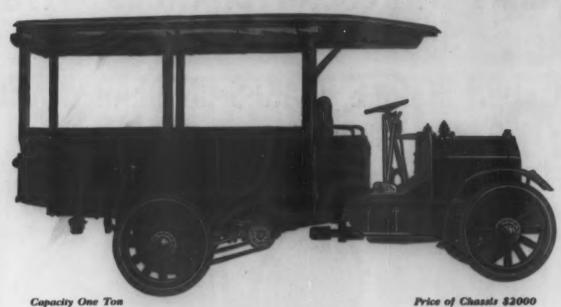
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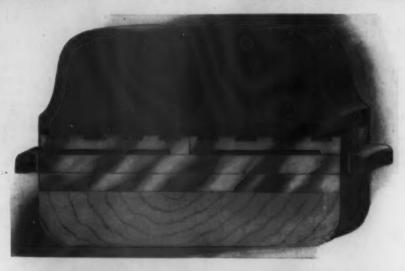
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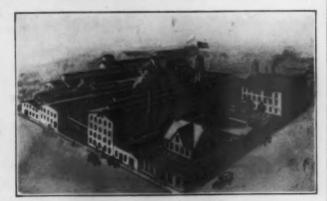
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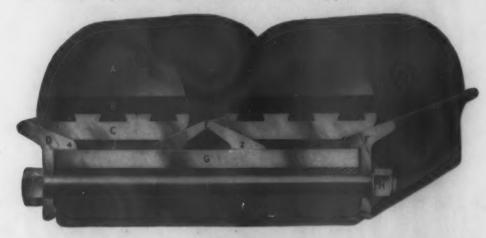
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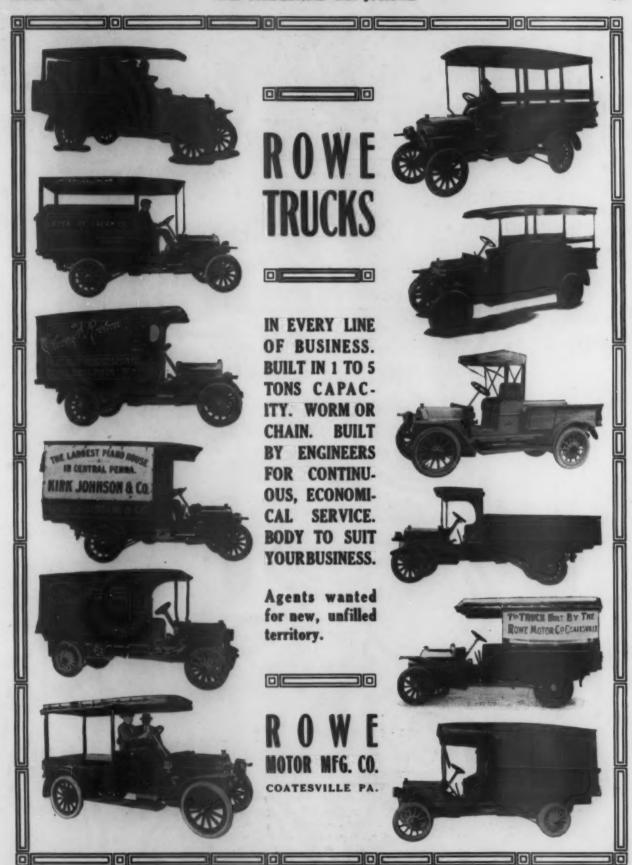
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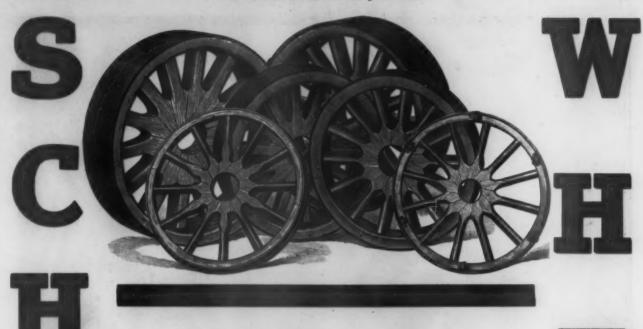
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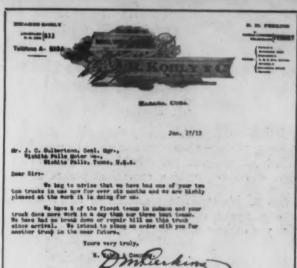
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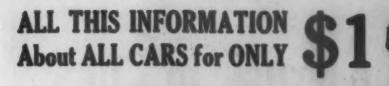
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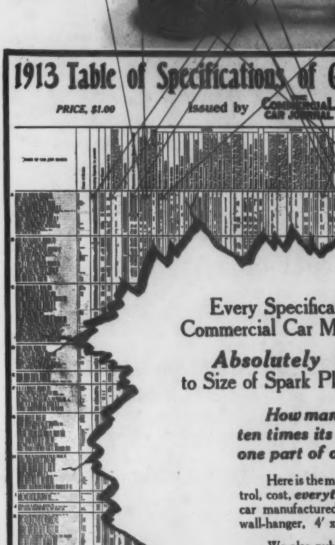
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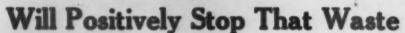
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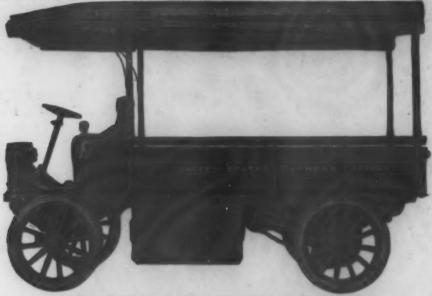
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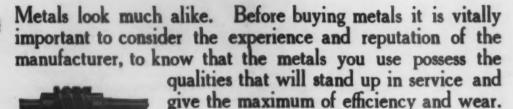
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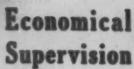
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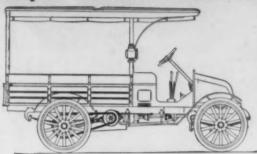
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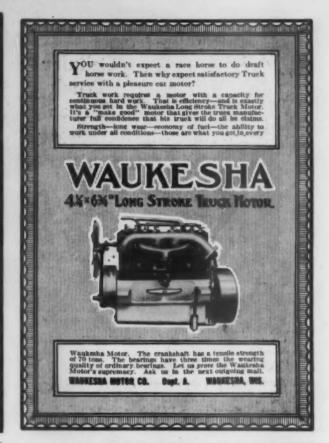
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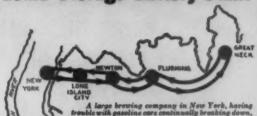
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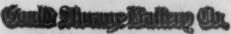
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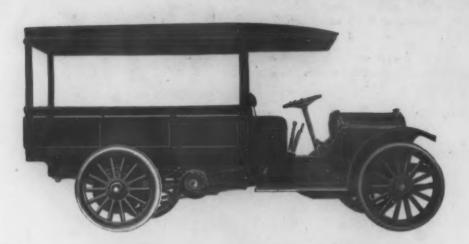
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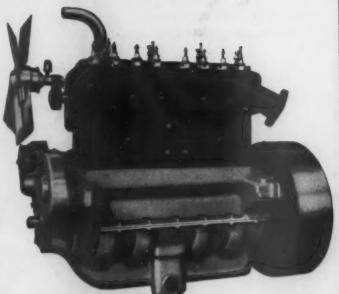
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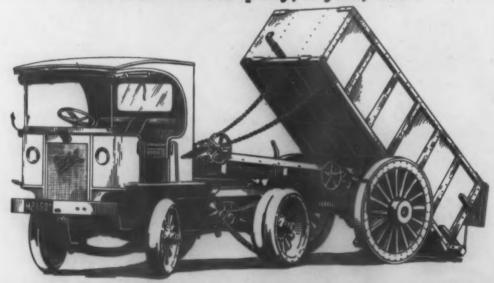
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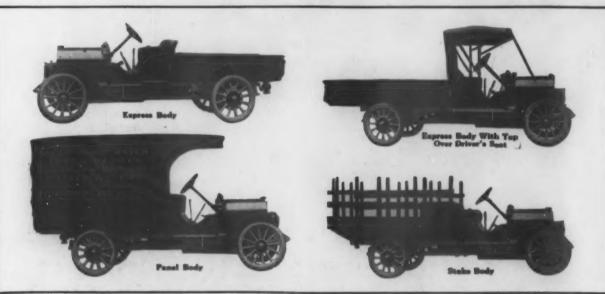
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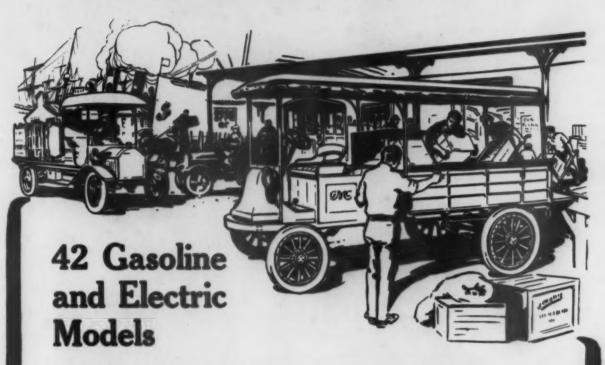
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